

Peshastin Community Council
Minutes of Regular Meeting
April 20, 2022
Peshastin Library

Council members present: Lauri Malmquist, chair; Steve Keene, Cheryl Parsley, Devera Sharp, Patricia Ortiz

Council member absent, excused: Doug Clarke

Community members: Melissa Reuter, Peshastin; Julieta Martinez, Peshastin; Clare Morrison, Peshastin Library

Other guest: Carnan Bergren, Chelan Falls

Chair Lauri Malmquist called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Library Update:

Clare reports scheduled upcoming nature walks sponsored by the library: Greg and Judy Harris will lead a bird walk on the Mill Flat on Saturday April 23, and Ted Alway will lead a flower walk there on Tuesday, April 26.

The library will set up a bird watching station with binoculars and a scope, for use on the library grounds.

Yoga class will return to the library on the 2nd Saturday of the month, starting May 14 at 10 a.m.

On May 23rd at 6:30 p.m. there will be a talk by Eric Bard, about local geology.

Discover passes, and passes to the Wenatchee Museum and Ohme Gardens are available at the library for check out.

The meeting minutes of March 16, 2022 were read; an error was noted after the last meeting, regarding the election of officers. At that meeting a motion was made to accept the slate of officers from last year, but Stan Winters was the vice chair, and he has since left the board. Tricia moved we accept the minutes with an amendment to exclude the vice chair from the current slate. After discussion there was agreement to table the amendment until the next meeting, with plans to elect a vice chair and approve the entire slate of officers at that time.

New Business:

- 1). Lauri has had a recent discussion with Pat Thirlby of RUN (Residents United for Neighborhoods) in Leavenworth. Stan Winters was the Peshastin Council representative to RUN meetings, and since his departure RUN would like a new representative. Lauri is willing to take on that role. Tricia so moved, second by Cheryl; motion passed unanimously.
- 2). It is time for semi-annual garbage pick up around downtown Peshastin. The council agreed upon the date of Sunday May 1, at 10 a.m. ; meet in front of the Post Office.
- 3). Steve states there is need for continued input to Link Transit regarding the need for bus service to Peshastin. The Express bus on the new proposed schedule will go from Leavenworth to Wenatchee, without stopping in Peshastin. Melissa has submitted comments

to Link in favor of continuing Peshastin access; there are people who rely on the bus service for work. Steve notes that Ann Hessburg, who is a candidate for County Commissioner, is an advocate for Peshastin bus riders.

4). Steve reports at the recent upper valley meeting with Bob Bugert there was discussion of the possibility of a white water park being developed along the Wenatchee River. The options of the Dryden Dam and Barn Beach in Leavenworth were dismissed, and consensus was to leave the river alone.

5). Kids and Pets Parade: Lauri and Cheryl will meet to confirm details, including ribbons, announcements on the reader boards at the library and church, contacting the band director and fire truck, and popsicles for distribution after the parade. It is scheduled for Saturday June 4, 2022, meeting at 9:30 at Memorial Hall, starting at 10:00 a.m. and progressing to the library.

6). Lydia Folden in the old Grange Hall building continues to have problems with water into her basement, which is starting to affect the supporting beams. She has had multiple discussions with the county and thus far no origin has been identified for the water that continues to seep in. The Peshastin Water District dug a trench today and found the water main is not leaking, and therefore it must be ground water. Since the county owns up to the foundation of the building it seems logical that they would be responsible for identifying and correcting a leak that is intruding upon and damaging private property (Lydia's). Tricia moved and Devera seconded for the Council to send a letter to Public Works (Josh Patrick, storm water) in support of the county working to resolve this issue, with copies to Eric Pearson and Bob Bugert.

Treasurer's Report: Bank balance \$584.11

Today was a trial of 6:30 p.m. start time for meetings; motion by Lauri, second by Devera to continue with this time for present. The motion passed unanimously.

Steve nominated Melissa Reuter to fill the council vacancy; second by Cheryl. There was no discussion or executive session. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

The next meeting will be May 18, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the library.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Ortiz, secretary