

Peshastin Community Council
Minutes of Regular Meeting
May 17, 2023

Peshastin Library

Council members present: Lauri Malmquist, chair; Doug Clarke, Steve Keene, Mark Smith, Patricia Ortiz

Council members absent, excused: Cheryl Parsley, Melissa Reuter

Community member: Clare Morrison, Peshastin Library

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

Sheriff Mike Morrison was scheduled to visit the meeting but did not attend.

The minutes of April 19, 2023 meeting were read; motion to approve by Doug, second by Steve. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's report, in absentia: bank balance \$745.72

Motion by Steve to send \$100 to the Cascade band for participation in the Kids and Pets parade; second by Doug. Motion passed unanimously.

Peshastin Water District

Report from Steve that the district is still waiting on the comprehensive plan document from RH2 engineers, after spending approximately \$85,000. This is necessary to continue with the merger process, which has been taking an excessively long time.

Old Business

1). Kids and Pets parade, scheduled for Saturday June 3, 2023. A notice will be sent via Contact email next week.

2). By-laws update: the main item under discussion is planning for the election cycle, and the length of a term. Suggestions included holding elections every two years, to increase efficiency and to streamline the process. In addition, having terms of two or four years was suggested to make service on the council feel more accessible to a wider group of potential candidates. Council members will bring suggestions to the next meeting; once those are agreed upon a special meeting will be scheduled to vote on the suggested changes to by-laws.

3). Library report: a).Clare invites all to a community meeting at the Memorial Hall on Tuesday May 23 at 6 p.m. to give feedback to the architects and planners about what we would like to have done for improvements to the interior of the library.

B). Clifford movie will be shown on May 30

C). Derby Canyon Natives tour and planting event will be held June 10 at 1:30 p.m.

4). UGA Update: Council discussed a tentative schedule for review and update of the Peshastin Urban Growth Area Comprehensive Plan. There are currently 7 chapters, each of which will be reviewed at a committee meeting. Chapter 1 is scheduled for Wednesday June 14 at 6:30 p.m. at the library.

5). Spring community clean up was successful, with 6 participants, and less overall garbage to collect.

6). The old Mill site still has an abandoned vehicle and junk visible, technically on the Hi-up property. Lauri met with Eliot Scull and Eunice Youmans from Chelan Douglas Land Trust as they were touring the site.

New Business

1). Mark would like to request schedules for the two mobile clinics that visit Peshastin periodically, one from Cascade Medical and one from Columbia Valley Community Health. Steve will check with Cascade for their schedule.

2). RC3 Report: Lauri attended a meeting last week in Leavenworth, in which a group of approximately 80 voiced concern over proposals for development in various areas of the county. Many feel citizens of the county are being ignored by Leavenworth city and County officials as economic development and tourism are pushed forward without regard for the wishes of residents. Discussion emphasized the need for planned thoughtful development in the county.

3). All agreed the Council would like to reschedule a visit with Sheriff Morrison; Lauri will contact the sheriff's office. There was also agreement to invite the new managers of Blue Bird and Hi-up to an upcoming meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on June 21, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the library.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Ortiz, Secretary