

Methow Watershed Council meeting Minutes
February 16, 2017

Greg Knott, Rick Karro, Perry Huston, Ray Campbell, Andy Hover, George Schneider, Jackie from the county, Bill Tackman, Mike Fort, Jacqueline Wallace of TU, Penelope Varn and Hans Smith present. Dick Ewing came in late.

Members of the public, including Ashley Thrasher, Natalie Kuehler, Brian DePlace of MVCC, Kent Hitch, and Lee Bernheisel attended.

Agenda, motion to approve by Penelope, seconded by Andy Hover.

Minutes not available for approval.

GEORGE SCHNEIDER gave an update of the Wolf Creek-Twin Lakes project. Will complete Phase One in a couple of weeks. Will be on time and on budget.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENTS, time to be renewed.

AMENDED BYLAWS ALSO NEED TO BE SIGNED BY THE MEMBERS.

GREG ON GRANT FUNDING: Community Foundation of North Central Washington grant app in the works to fund an admin assistant; also going for a large grant to fund an ED position and also to fund Water 2066 project...also met with TU who has 100k from NRCS to improve infrastructure projects...

INITIATING GOVERNMENT REPORTS:

JACKIE regarding Twisp. Water main replacement on SR 20, and slated for 2018-2020 water main replacement in town. Also watching for ice in the river.

Rick KARRO of Winthrop, nothing to report.

PERRY for the county. Discussion of execution of the Hirst Decision in the Methow.

IFRR COMMITTEE REPORT via Mike Fort. Fort wants meetings to be public.

BILL TACKMAN, POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE: Not much to report. Working with Methownet on web site issues: had outreach presentation, Greg, Natalie and Mary, 3 hour presentation for about 30 people in the lower Methow; prep for next meeting.

Water law, 173-548.

TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE, let's do that when we get down to the agenda item.

Brian Fisher has sent in his resignation. Need to get him a gift and a certificate. Need to find his replacement. Flyers to put up to find a replacement and Greg will also put a notice in the paper.

PENELOPE WILL CALL Mary Kiesau to get an ad for Fisher's replacement in the Conservancy News.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

For March meeting: Fort said that for our March meeting we need usage numbers from the towns....also need to review candidates for replacement of Brian...

Meeting adjourned at 7:03. Motion by Greg, seconded by Fort.