

Minutes for 1-11-2023 UPRD Regular Meeting

6:00pm at Community Center

Board members: Pat McConnell, Alicia Beyer, Bob Wittenberg, Tina Gallion, Vern Moholis

Community Members: Robin McConnell, Lisa Brown, Melissa Wittenberg, Linda Hardam, Summer Scheyer, Asa Leckie, Gabe Spencer, Joe Gronion, Keith Fredrickson

Meeting called to order at 6:04

1. Welcome everybody
2. Approval of minutes of previous meetings: 12-14-2022
 - Motion to approve minutes as presented Pat, 2nd Tina. Unanimous
3. Reports: See attached
 - Treasurer Report
 - Facility and Usage
4. Approve vouchers, including Excise tax
 - No vouchers for this month
5. Tax Collections for 2023, Commissioner Asa Leckie and Assessor Gabe Spencer to discuss with us.
 - Levy tax collection was discussed. The UPRD could go to the voters and ask up to .60/\$1,000. With the current levy we are actually only receiving \$.15/\$1,000. There is no way to get back to the 20 cents until we go back to the voters and get a passing vote.
 - In November of 2024, the UPRD will be on the ballot for a new tax levy. 6 years is the max Levy length. It is common to go 2, 3 or 6 years at a time.
- 5.5. Skamania County Sherriff - Summer Scheyer
 - Pat presented the traffic issues of Cook-Underwood Rd.
 - Tim Elsea is no longer working for the county. David Waymire is now the contact for public works.
6. Election of Officers –
 - Motion to keep officers as is. Pat, 2nd Tina
7. AED review / refresher
 - Contact Anne Luders about getting AED “serviced” and a quick training on how to use the equipment. Also would like to know how often the unit should be checked.

7.5. Hood River Bridge – Should we invite someone from the committee to come discuss the plans with Underwood.

8. Community Committee report - Lisa and Robin are getting together the first Tuesdays of the month.

- The Committee would like to have an event at least every other month. There is a great list of activities that were put together.
- Little Free Library is now taken on by the Community Committee.
- Would love to get a better way to communicate!! CC will look into ways that would be more efficient for the community

9. Garden Report Budget

- The garden is in "Winter Mode", plans are being discussed for our April opening. All boxes are rented and there are two people on our Wait List.

10. Snow removal – Soropio has come 2 times. We are waiting on a bill.

11. Plumbing issue in the gym – Bob has acquired the small works roster from MRSC. He will work at getting a letter out to see if we can get anyone willing to work on the project.

- Pat made a plea to Commissioner to get the county to help us with some of the deferred maintenance on the building.

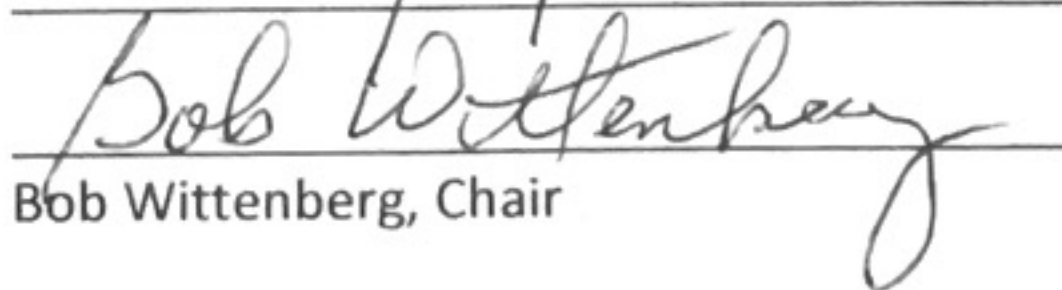
Other issues:

- Stage curtain is still in production. We were told it would be done at the first of the year. It should be done in the next month or so.
- Committee for play structure will be meeting later in the month.
- Put more info of the agenda when advertising the meeting.
- Philip Watness from the Skamania County Pioneer is willing to put any information that UPRD would want to advertise.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:29pm

Approved

2/8/2023


Bob Wittenberg, Chair


Vern Mohlis, Secretary