YVCOG GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
January 17, 2018

PRESENT:
Grandview: Norm Childress-M, Bill Moore-A
Granger: Maria Gonzalez-M, Lillia Villarreal-A
Harrah: Pat Krueger-M
Maton: Sophie Sotelo-M
Moxee: N/A
Naches: N/A
Selah: Russell Carlson-M, Jacque Matson-A
Sunnyside: Jim Restucci-M, Julia Hart-A
Tieton: Matt Johnson-M
Toppenish: Clara Jimenez-M, Elpidia Saavedra-A, Al Hubert-PC
Union Gap: N/A
Wapato: N/A
Yakima: Brad Hill-M
Yakima County: Mike Leita-M
Zillah: Janice Gonzales-M, Doug Stewart-A

ABSENT:
Grandview: N/A
Granger: Hilda Guzman-PC
Harrah: N/A
Maton: N/A
Moxee: Rob Layman-M, LeRoy Lenseigne-A
Naches: Kit Hawver-M, Matt Hawver-A
Selah: Lisa Smith-PC
Sunnyside: DeAnn Hochhalter-PC
Tieton: Fred Munoz-A
Toppenish: N/A
Union Gap: Julie Schilling-M, Sandy Dailey-A, Mike Moore, PC
Wapato: Juan Orozco-M, Robin Cordova-A
Yakima: Carmen Mendez-A
Yakima County: Ron Anderson-M, J. Rand Elliott-M
Zillah: Ardele Steele-PC/A

Note: M=Member; A=Alternate; PC=Planning Commission

Additional Attendees: Grandview: Cas Arteaga, Marty Groom, Joan Souders, Gloria Mendoza; Granger: N/A; Harrah: Larry Krueger; Maton: N/A; Moxee: N/A; Naches: N/A; Selah: Barb Petrea; Sunnyside: N/A; Tieton: N/A; Toppenish: Lance Hoyt; Union Gap: Dan Olson; Wapato: N/A; Yakima: N/A; Zillah: n/a; Others: Merry Daley, John Hodkinson, Sandee Hodkinson, Kristin Larsen, Craig Testerman

Speakers: N/A
YVCOG Staff: Alan Adolf, Tami Hayward, Lance Larsen, Larry Mattson, Mike Shuttleworth, Jodi Smith, Crystal Testerman, Chris Wickenhagen

CALL TO ORDER
INTRODUCTIONS
ROLL CALL

Chair Jim Restucci called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. (Dinner break from 6:30-7:15 p.m.) The meeting was hosted by the City of Selah at Nana Kate’s. A quorum was present.

PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY
It is the policy of the YVCOG General Membership to accept public comment on agenda items at the time the item is being discussed. Public comments regarding items not on the agenda will be heard at the end of the meeting.

WELCOMING REMARKS
Mr. Russell Carlson welcomed everyone to the City of Selah, and introduced newly elected Councilor Jacque Matson and City of Selah volunteer Barb Petrea.

BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes
Mr. Moore (Grandview) moved to approve the minutes from the December 13, 2017 meeting. Ms. Gonzales (Zillah) seconded. The motion carried.

Election of 2018-2019 YVCOG Executive Committee
1. Ms. Jimenez (Toppenish) presented the Nominating Committee Report: Area 1-John Hodkinson; Area 2-Janice Gonzales; Area 3-Jose Trevino and Bill Moore; At Large- Dan Olson.
2. Nominations from the floor: Joan Souders was nominated for the At-Large position.

Election Results: All Nominees present at the meeting were given the time for a brief statement.
Area 1: Mr. John Hodkinson was elected unanimously
Area 2: Ms. Janice Gonzales was elected unanimously
Area 3: Mr. Bill Moore was elected unanimously

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At-Large: Round 1 resulted in a tie of 6 votes for Mr. Olson and 6 votes for Ms. Souders. After consulting the By-Laws to determine valid voting procedures, a second round of votes were cast resulting in 7 votes for Mr. Dan Olson and 4 votes for Ms. Joan Souders. Mr. Dan Olson was duly elected the At-Large Representative.

PROGRAM
Take Charge of Your City's Future: You and YVCOG in 2018

Mr. Mattson presented information on the wealth of data that is available to communities in the Yakima Valley. For example, the Yakima Trends website is available in an easy to understand and view format, with over 140 data points. These trends can be used to gain funding for your jurisdiction. YVCOG can assist with Healthy Cities, Healthy Valley that will build a social network to converge for maximum impact on the fiscal and physical health of your city. Also presented information on how funding low-cost projects can have high impact. YVCOG is available to assist your efforts to use data to access funding sources.

OTHER BUSINESS

LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING

Mr. Jim Restucci offered the City of Sunnyside to host the March 21, 2018 General Membership meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURN

With no further business, Mr. Restucci adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Restucci, YVCOG Chairman

Date signed: 21 Mar 2018

Jodi Smith, Office Specialist

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