## YVCOG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES March 18, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Chair John Hodkinson called the March 18, 2019 meeting of the YVCOG Executive Committee to order at 2:00 p.m.

# ROLL CALL & INTRODUCTIONS

- Members present: John Hodkinson, Bill Moore, Sherry Raymond, Mike Leita
- Members present via teleconference: Brad Hill, Janice Gonzales
- Members absent: Jim Restucci\*
- YVCOG staff present: Larry Mattson, Chris Wickenhagen, Crystal Testerman, Mike Shuttleworth, Esther Magasis and Jodi Smith
- Others present: Raquel Ferrell Crowley
- A quorum was present.

### PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY

It is the policy of the Yakima Valley Executive Committee 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.

Consent Agenda\*

- 1. Approval of Minutes: February 20, 2019 YVCOG Executive Committee Meeting
- 2. Approval of Payroll: As of February 28, 2019, approve payroll voucher FEB-19-001 in the amount of \$93,059.88 through electronic fund transfers.
- 3. Approval of Accounts Payable Vouchers: As of February 28, 2019, approve claim vouchers numbered FEB-19-002 through FEB-19-036 in the total amount of \$208,866.69.

Action: Bill Moore moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Sherry Raymond seconded. The motion carried.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Executive Director's Correspondence\*

Larry Mattson, Executive Director, presented information on:

- Yakima County request for Solid Waste Advisory Committee member from YVCOG.
   Brad Hill volunteered to serve.
- Letter from Generating Hope, regarding Noah's Ark operations in Wapato. Larry
  Mattson will schedule to meet them, along with Homeless Housing and Assistance
  Program Manager. With establishment of the Homeless Coalition, YVCOG will now be
  serving as contract administrator.

**Action: Information** 

Staff Reports\*

**Budget Report** – Chris Wickenhagen, Deputy Director reported revenues and expenses for the month. YVCOG bills for services and are reimbursed later.

#### **Homeless Housing and Assistance Program** – Crystal Testerman.

- Yakima Homeless Coalition (YHC) will have its first meeting Wednesday, 3/20/19 at 2:00 p.m. It is an open meeting with no membership requirements. Gathering applications to serve on the YHC Executive Committee. Mike Leita will represent the County; Brad Hill, City of Yakima; Joan Souders, YVCOG. Others will be voted on at the Wednesday meeting.
- CHG applications almost complete. Waiting on information from one provider.
- 2019 preliminary Point in Time Count. 443 surveys conducted in 2018. 514 surveys in 2019. Homeless numbers are up, which was expected.

Land Use Planning Program - Mike Shuttleworth reported on Mabton annexations for Urban Growth Area, and a development for medical and senior housing. Granger land use



<sup>\*</sup>Indicates notice of absence received prior to meeting.

development for multi-family housing, accessory dwelling units, access to transportation, etc. Granger has a rezone application. Union Gap is updating their park plan. Interchange projects are impacting parks. Also have an alley vacation by City Hall and a condominium project. Community outreach includes the Gaps and Overlaps group, Union Gap Monday meetings. Also working on long range grants and funding, and a Solar NW project for City of Yakima.

Member Interview Results – Esther Magasis gave an overview of the interview process and some preliminary results such as the top ten topics most commonly identified as important issues during interviews. Also noted "Aspirational Projects" cited by multiple jurisdictions. "Valley Trends" note some unique issues in Northern and Southern Valley municipalities.

Action: Information

2019 Regional Summit\* Larry Mattson gave information on the 2019 Regional Summit in Richland. Carrying forward with action and building solutions. Showed a sample of data, projects and trends unique to each city, and also giving information on mutual concerns and opportunities for collaboration. Union Gap has several people attending.

Yakima County Printing Office

Larry Mattson, Executive Director, reported the County Print Shop is closing on September 1. They are YVCOG's paper supplier and printer of choice due to huge savings. Cost comparisons given. Larry seeks a recommendation to ask General Membership if they would like YVCOG to consider hosting the Print Shop.

Mike Leita says that the building will be demolished. Yakima County will be issuing an RFP for printing. County would be open to YVCOG coordinating printing services with our member jurisdictions.

Action: Discussion and Recommendation to approach General Membership about Printing Services

2019 General Membership Meetings Larry Mattson, Executive Director.

- March 20th: Selah hosting at Nana Kate's. Program: Adverse Childhood Experiences

   ACES
- May 15th: Looking for host. Program: Ryan Oelrich, Executive Director of Priority Spokane. John Hodkinson, Union Gap volunteered.

Action: Information

**OTHER BUSINESS** 

None

PUBLIC COMMENT Raquel Crowley will be attending a panel on homelessness and affordable housing. Regional concerns similar. Ahead of the curve on getting communities to work together.

**ADJOURN** 

With no other business, John Hodkinson adjourned the meeting at 2:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Restucci, YVCOG Executive Committee Chair

Date signed

TTEST:

Jod Smith, Communications Specialist

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