

YVCOG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
October 19, 2020

CALL TO ORDER Chair James Restucci called the October 19, 2020 meeting of the YVCOG Executive Committee to order at 2:05 p.m.

**ROLL CALL &
INTRODUCTIONS**

- **Members present via teleconference**
Ron Anderson: Yakima County Commissioner
John Hodkinson, Vice Chair: Area 1 – Moxee, Naches, Selah, Tieton, Union Gap
Bill Moore: Area 3 – Mabton, Granger, Grandview
Sherry Raymond: Member-At-Large
James Restucci, Chair: City of Sunnyside
- **Members absent**
Janice Gonzales: Area 2 – Wapato, Toppenish, Harrah, Zillah
Brad Hill: City of Yakima
- **YVCOG Staff**
Chris Wickenhagen, Lynn Deitrick, Jeff Watson, Jodi Smith and Shane Andreas
- **Others Present via teleconference**
None.
- **A quorum was present**

**Indicates notice of absence received prior to meeting.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT
POLICY**

It is the policy of the Yakima Valley Conference of Governments 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:](#)
September 21, 2020 YVCOG Executive Committee Meeting
2. [Approval of Payroll Voucher:](#)
As of September 30, 2020, approve payroll voucher SEP-20-001 in the amount of \$68,049.29 through electronic fund transfers.
3. [Approval of Accounts Payable Vouchers:](#)
As of September 30, 2020, approve claim vouchers numbered SEP-20-002 through SEP 20-016 totaling \$38,300.10.

Action: *John Hodkinson, Union Gap moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Sherry Raymond, member-at-large seconded. The motion carried.*

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

*Executive Director's
Correspondence*

Chris Wickenhagen, YVCOG Executive Director

- [Regional Connections](#) – Newsletter with quick access to information of interest to our members including funding, legislative updates and events in our community
- Focusing on Toppenish & Mabton with Kresge Health Equity through Housing Grant. Step 1 is examining data and the impacts on health

- Preparing annual planning contracts for members consideration. Union Gap contracted for a specific amount of Planner’s time each month. Beneficial and cost-effective for cities.
- Opening Yakima Valley meetings: included Zach Mallove, Economic policy advisor for Senator Murray. Cities had opportunity to give direct input on economic impact of COVID on their cities and residents.

Action: Information

[POL-130 Working from Home*](#)

YVCOG Executive Director Chris Wickenhagen provided information on the proposed update to Working From Home Policy POL-30. The update to the telework policy due to “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” orders.

Action: Motion to approve the YVCOG POL-30 Working From Home policy made by Bill Moore, Grandview. Seconded by John Hodgkinson, Union Gap. Motion was approved.

*Staff Reports**

Budget Report – *Shane Andreas, YVCOG Finance Specialist*

September 2020 Budget Report – Revenues of \$71,862.10 and expenses of \$106,349.39 for the month. Cash balance is \$564,357.66 for the month ending September 2020.

Land Use & Regional Planning Program – *Lynn Deitrick, YVCOG Planning Manager.*

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

- Grandview: Rezones, subdivision
- Mabton: Short plat
- Tieton: Future Land Use map update
- Toppenish: signage, applications
- Union Gap: Public Participation Plan for Shoreline Master Plan update to the City Council, Class 3 reviews

OTHER PROJECTS

Shoreline Master Program (SMP): Public Participation Plan (PPP) delivery to Planning Commission members may be difficult due to COVID remote meetings. 7 cities, with possible 8th city involved in SMP.

Kresge Grant: Essential elements, GIS analysis of housing conditions.

CTR: New involvement from larger employers, issues tracking commutes during Stay Home orders.

Action: Information

General Membership Meetings

Jodi Smith, Communications Specialist, presented information.

- October 21 in Sunnyside. Updates on homeless program - Human Services at Yakima County and homeless providers. We need a quorum to vote on budget items.
- December 9 hosted by YVCOG.

Action: Information

OTHER BUSINESS

Next Executive Committee meeting will be Monday, November 16, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. via teleconference.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comment.

ADJOURN

With no other business, YVCOG Executive Committee Chair James Restucci adjourned the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

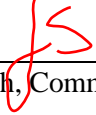


James A. Restucci, YVCOG Executive Committee Chair

16 November 2020

Date signed

ATTEST:



Jodi Smith, Communications Specialist