Minutes

P & R District #1 Board of Commissioners Meeting

923 Hazel Point Road

Oct 6 2026 6:00 pm

1 CALL TO ORDER. The meeting was called to order at the Laurel B. Johnson Community Center, Quilcene, Washington at 6:00 pm. The meeting was chaired by Denis Schmitt (DS); commissioners Cathy Bohman(CB) Thane Grooms (TG), Norm Johnson (NJ), and Joe Patterson (JP) attended in person. Joanmarie Eggert (JE) Secretary, Candace Monroe (CM) treasurer, and Cherylann Schmitt (CS) Kitchen Manager, also attended.

2 APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Approved.

3 SPECIAL MEETING PURPOSE - Effect of County levy lift on Parks and Recreation District #1.

4 COMMISSIONER COMMENTS -TG gave an overview of the current situation, and other commissioners added information. Basically, County passed a levy on everyone in Jefferson County. Unbeknownst to us, they included us in the advertising for the levy. As the levy resolution was being drafted, it was determined that the levy could not fund us because we are not a county owned community center. The resolution was written accordingly, also including a section stating that the county may negotiate an Inter-Local Agreement (ILA) with Coyle. This would require us to give up our levy, which in turn would make it so we could not take timber tax revenue. This would make things difficult in 5 years when we need to go renew our levy. And we want to maintain our independence and governance of the property.

5 PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 min per person)

Steve Davies - He is not happy with how the PUD has handled the water district, and warned that we should be wary.

Wendy Olivas - This is a trust issue, how can we trust them to fund us in the future? Especially, as we know the County has budget issues. She is not happy with how property is being assessed for tax purposes. And although that is not our purview, it impacts people financially.

Mary Jean Ryan - Has read the documents, considers them very sloppy, and clearly false advertising. She reminded the commissioners that we should take advantage of negotiations. We can come up with anything in an ILA - perhaps setting up a “maintenance fund” or something else worthwhile.

Mark Knutson - important to stay independent. But negotiate, something of value for the community.

Andy Olivas - asked about the County’s current governance of our District.

6 DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

TG moved JP seconded and all approved that we continue funding the Parks and District #1 with our existing levy at $.15 passed in 2025 without entering an Inter Local Agreement (ILA) with Jefferson County at this time.

7 MEETING ADJOURNED 7:04m

Respectfully submitted,

Joanmarie Eggert

Secretary