

# ***M*anson Community Council**

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Manson Community Council Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2019

Meeting Called to Order: 6:02 PM By Kari Sorensen

Guest Speaker Brain Patterson addressed the council and guest. He began with a brief background and his work history in the field of Environmental Concerns.

About 2 years ago he brought to the attention of Chelan County and the community of Manson the high levels of potentially hazardous contamination from lead and arsenic in the soil of old orchards that are now being developed into residential areas. This is an ongoing occurrence in many counties that where once orchards and now they are being developed without any notice to the people that are buying these lands for development. He is asking that soil testing be done on current developments and the results posted on the plat and buyers are made aware of the contamination levels of the property. All in attendance felt that the county needed to be more involved with this issue and better mitigation be done on residential developments on contaminated orchard lands.

The Council will see if we can have someone from the Dept of Ecology come and speak to us regarding SEPA and the soil levels of contamination in the old orchards.

Public Comment:

John Olson mentioned that Link has a new shuttle starting July between Lakeside Park, Apple Blossom Center, and Don Morse Park to help elevate traffic in Chelan.

He also stated that Washington State is the #1 US state people are moving to (national magazine article) and Chelan County is the #1 county they are moving to in Washington.

Carl Blum acknowledged Kari Sorensen for her donation to Manson Parks. Kari paid to have the dog swimming area fenced to help protect all our four legged residents who just want to take a dip!

Robbin Warner is worried that Manson's commercial growth is starting to spiral and would like to see more centralized community development in the downtown area.

Old Business:

Meeting Minutes of the April 16th 2019 and April 24th Special Meeting Minutes were approved; motion by Kathy B and 2nd by Kari Sorensen. Approved unanimously.

Swearing in Gordon Lester as a Member of Manson Community council.

Treasurer Report: WFC statement 4/1/19 thru 4/30/19, balance of \$462.25  
The council will continue to work on getting a SS# or tax ID# that is correct.

New Business:

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Kari brought up the idea of a Facebook page for the Manson Community council. Kathy B expressed concern of negative and/or inappropriate comments so she was not in favor of a Facebook page for the council. Kari explained that the site would just post items and would be blocked for comments. The people attending the meeting agreed that there should be no comments, just Council information. The Manson Community Council website was explained - that if you go to the website you can sign up and every time something is posted you will receive it in the email address you use. All the approved Minutes, Agendas, Special Meeting Notices, By-Laws and other council information is posted there.

A motion was made by Kari Sorensen to Open a Manson Community Council Facebook Page that will provide council information and allow no comments. 2nd by Gordon Lester approved by all.

Kari announced she received an application from Cindy Smith to fill the vacancy on the Manson Community Council. Cindy introduced herself - her family moved to Manson in 2001. She was the Manson Wells Fargo Branch Manager before she retired. She then opened a bookkeeping business in Manson and continues that business. Cindy cares about the Manson Community and want to contribute to the area.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

KathyB.