

**Trout Lake Community Council
Meeting Notes - Approved
In person at The Grange
June 3, 2025
7:00 – 8:55 pm**

Council Meeting:

Topic	Council Lead	Start Time
<p>Regular Council Meeting called to order Council Members Present: Daina Bambe, Joanna Turner, Jim Lambert, Tom Binder, Pat Arnold, Absent: Lucas, Aaron, Dave, Travis</p> <p>Community Members: Heidi (documentor)</p>	Daina	7:05
<p>Agenda Review Added Sat market table</p>	Daina	
<p>Minutes review: May 6, 2025 Pat made some changes, Motion to approve with Pat's changes: Tom 2nd: Jim - All in favor</p>	Daina	
<p>Guests: Emily Harris – Uplift Local – intro, overview & Q&A Heidi Hoppus a documentor is here to talk about Uplift Local Started by 3 journalists to highlight local news in oregon and SW wa. Spoke with over 3500 people and learned that people in rural communities, particular cultural communities and those who'd like news in a language other than the gorge don't have access to local news. UL pays and trains documentors to go to local meetings and get information and notes out to the community. Sign up for their newsletter at https://upliftlocal.news/</p>	Daina	7:10
<p>Comprehensive Land Use Planning Next learning session Park existing conditions and open space handout The county is writing a draft comp plan to be into the state by the end of June - they are using the chapters that were in the old plan. Planning commissioners are volunteers - there is no responsibility to talk to us (the council or community members). Community septic came up and Rick Graves said the comp plan isn't the place to say anything about it. We have a lot of open space zoning, stated use parks/recreation. Council went through and updated the existing conditions list.</p>	Pat	7:20

White Salmon Valley Pool – Discussion & follow-up? Daina 8:00

Do we want to start a petition to be annexed into the pool area?

- 1 - How do we want to go about it?
- 2 - Who's going to take on the workload?

Council vs independent group

Need 25 signatures to get on the ballot - is this correct?

Questions: Who gets to vote on our inclusion?

What would boundaries be, process to get on ballot etc

We recall/heard that there is a decreasing scale of taxation - decreasing over 15 years - need to clarify

What would pool discount be for those in the taxing district?

Pat will call pool district board to ask these questions.

Audio Equipment Discussion Jim 8:15

Small karaoke machine (\$130) with 3 wireless microphones

Jim could order and Tom would reimburse

Motion to purchase audio equipment as presented from Amazon: Tom 2nd: Pat - all in favor

There is a future need to work on acquiring hybrid equipment for the Grange.

Treasurer's report Tom 8:20

Superintendent Jerry Lewis - re 2nd phase construction for solar grant, will be later in the year - they are waiting for more info about next steps.

Will Altig - fire dept - they will F/U at next meeting 6/10

David Hepburn - (Dept of commerce), requesting completion of study information. Will be sending a grant close out letter to be signed by the signatory (CEKC). Will follow up with Linda Williams (CEKC).

Sunday Market Table? Pat 8:20

\$125 for next 4 meetings, Friends of WS may be open to sharing cost of table - Pat could check if the Council would like to do so.

Good opportunity to talk to community members

4th Sundays of the month except for June which will be the 3rd Sunday

We will need to do outreach regarding planning - this is a good opportunity to do so

Need to think about outreach regarding planning and keep the community as involved as possible

Program of work & Round Robin Dave 8:45

Program of work postponed

Pat - invite the fire dept to come talk to us about properties being included in the fire district. Homeowners don't know if they are in or out, benefits etc

Daina - let's invite Andy and/or Rick Graves, our planning commissioners to a council meeting

Joanna - asked that we be aware of using violent/gun language. (ex use the words "dot points" vs "bullet points")

Would also like to talk more about emergency/evacuation planning.

Call Todd Andrews and tell him to support the community councils being involved in the planning process - not just the planning commissioners

Adjourn

8:55

Motion - Tom , 2nd - Jim all in favor

Update from Klickitat PUD -

Comprehensive Land Use Planning: Learning sessions 101 – ongoing;

Quarterly – Update from Keaton Curtice

Program of work topic each month

Other future topics: Affordable building lots – planning challenges and issues

Climate change - a continuing conversation

Short-term rentals discussion