

Williamson Valley Community Organization
March 21, 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes
Approved by WVCO Board April 26, 2023

WVCO Directors/Board Members Present

Jim Fortney, President/Treasurer

Don Braun, Vice President

Pam Poco, Secretary

Jerry Pittman

Jim Fortney called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21, 2023. It was held at Fire Station 57 at Outer Loop Road. Thirty people signed into the meeting. The Board members all made short, introductory statements.

Jim Fortney provided the following Reports:

- Financial Review (detail contained in the slides)
- Membership Report
- Annual Review of Activities

Due to various weather problems scheduling this year's Annual Meeting, Jim polled the attendees regarding the potential of using Zoom for next year's meeting. The majority (approximately 80%) of attendees indicated that would be acceptable.

Jim provided a short overview of WVCO's partnership with the Citizen's Water Advisory Group (CWAG) and notified the attendees of their presentation on the "Future of Prescott Valley's Water and Growth" scheduled for Saturday, March 25 at 10:00 a.m. He also recommended viewing Former Governor Bruce Babbitt's "Help for Rural Water: Governor Babbitt Explains Why Rural Management Areas are Key" that is available on CWAG's Video Archive Link (Reference Video 2022-08-13.)

With no new nominations, the current Board of Directors was re-elected unanimously.

Judy Williams provided an update on the Adopt-a-Road project. They pick up trash along -side miles 3 to 4 of Williamson Valley Road once every 2 months. She can be contacted if anyone wishes to join in their efforts. Jim is setting up contact information on the WVCO website.

Ron Horfleet from the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office presented information on Scams and Identity Theft.

Jerry Pittman presented a summary of the 2023 Yavapai County Comprehensive Plan. A call for hands indicated a majority of attendees were aware of the 2030 YC Plan while slightly fewer indicated they had read the plan. A discussion followed regarding the potential for the installation of solar farms on Outer Loop Road, high density housing, and wildcat lot splitting. It was emphasized that while the Comprehensive Plan is considered "guidance" and is a living

document, it will take community involvement to prevent these developments from proceeding. It will be particularly important to monitor any rezoning plans.

Jerry also provided information on obtaining noise control road signs restricting Engine Braking. Requests from residents for signs should be forwarded to Mr. John David at the Signs and Traffic Department (web.public.works@yavapaiaz.gov) or phone the Public Works Roads Division number – Prescott Office at 928.771.3183.

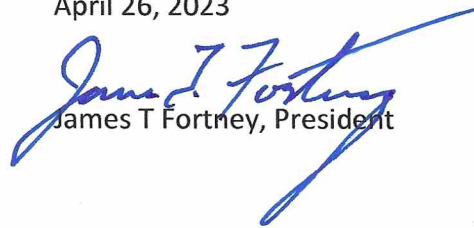
Pam Poco presented information regarding the Board's desire to direct communications to specific residential areas when the topic is of narrow interest. Members were encouraged to identify communities with a contact for Williamson Valley Homeowners Associations (HOAs). Communities without an HOA could use a volunteer to help communication between those areas and the Williamson Valley Community Organization Board. Special interest permits may affect only a small portion of the Williamson Valley community. Pam summarized the situation for obtaining a special event permit, such as for expanding a vacation home into a wedding venue. Jim Fortney followed up with more details on a recent special permit situation.

An open question and answer session followed the presentations. Of particular interest was how to get the Board of Supervisors to recognize Williams Valley as a distinct community. A Community Plan was developed in 2009 that describes our vision for the direction of the Williamson Valley Community. Jim encouraged people to review that plan that is located on the WVCO website. (<https://williamsonvalley.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Community-Plan-July-2009-orig.pdf>) This vision is important if we are to maintain our water, lifestyle and identity in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Poco
Secretary, WVCO

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James T Fortney, President