

CLINTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Clinton Community Council Meeting Minutes August 25, 2025 6:00-7:30 PM

1. Call to Order 6:01pm Carol Flax

Attendance:

Present: Don Simmons, Michael Clyburn, Carol Flax, Val Heitzman, Curt Gordon, Mike Turnbull, Jon Forbes

Absent: Joe Greenheron, Shauna Causey, Phyllis Alexander, Dave Hoogerwerf, Mike Gerhardt

Guests: Doug Brand, Bob Hagin, Walt Blackburn

2. Approval of July Minutes: tabled until next meeting
3. Monthly Program: Brian Heinrich from Puget Sound Energy (PSE)
PSE is mandated by the state to be carbon neutral by 2030 and carbon free by 2045. PSE has some investment in a Tri-Cities company developing modular small-scale nuclear power. They plan to end the use of coal generated electricity by the end of this year. New capacity will be mainly solar and wind power. There are big changes underway at the federal level. The current administration canceled \$15 billion that Congress appropriated for clean energy. PSE expects energy consumption to increase by 2/3 over last year. Brian discussed distributed grids – residential roof top solar can provide a lot of energy and can serve as a resource during power outages. PSE is pursuing an “all of the above” strategy to meet the state mandates. Battery storage is critical for their future strategy. There is also a need to expand the state-wide grid. PSE is working to prevent wildfires, and has programs to help persons with low incomes.

4. Public input: none

5. Treasurer's Report – Account and Budget Status Don Simmons

Written report submitted. Our current balance: \$2761.90. Net income – year to date: \$469.39. The written report now includes a year-to-date budget report and a list of those who have paid dues in the current year. Our income to date, for 2025, is 91% of budget and our expenses are 56% of budgeted amount.

a. Legislative Committee

Shauna Causey

No report

6. Member/Organization Updates

Organizational representative members of CCC will submit written reports to update CCC on each organization. These will be included with the agenda as an attachment.

Note to Christina: please put the organizations' reports on the website. Also, announce monthly programs in our social media accounts.

New Business:

Curt reported on his investigation into the DOT property in Clinton. He has learned that they are allowed to sell this property but it is difficult in figuring out who to talk to about it.

Mike C. reported that Island Senior Resources is very interested in becoming a member organization but they do not have the bandwidth to do so right now. Possibly by the end of the year.

7. Adjourn 7:30 pm

Next meeting: September 29, 2025