

Vanessa West (00:00):

Test. If I were to show up for the legislative session and when they go to review my ask to speak and give them, I'll get three minutes to speak. I think it's been save

Julie Doran-Lee (00:10):

There.

Vanessa West (00:11):

It's like a board meeting, like a boring board meeting. But then I could actually speak for three minutes about how important it is and let them know that or asking for eight or 10 million. But even if we like that, we love that we need that. So what need do I need Okay. To go to represent the Napleton community for any

Julie Doran-Lee (00:29):

Events that I go to.

Jordan Walker (00:32):

I think that's only if you're addressing the public generally.

Vanessa West (00:36):

Okay. But I'm attending a board meeting. It's

Jordan Walker (00:38):

A public meeting, but a public committee meeting. What I would say is

Julie Doran-Lee (00:42):

You're representing the board and in my assumption, the person that would be representing the board would be the board chair.

Vanessa West (00:49):

So do I need an okay for that to attend a legislation and tell them that I would like Yes, but I won't even have a date yet because please have it

Julie Doran-Lee (00:59):

Written out what you want to say and make sure that it's time to three minutes correct.

Vanessa West (01:05):

I'll have that, but I have to, the grant has to be finished, right? It'll be finished tomorrow. Then I'll be able to work on that Three minutes beach. That will sum up what that says. But it's going to say our community is a rural low income. 60% of our population is either in, but what's going to set aside from

Julie Doran-Lee (01:23):

All these other rural low income communities that are also,

Vanessa West (01:27):

A lot of the people that tend to get the grants are unfortunately the big communities. That's what they were so mad that most of the water grants, most of the infrastructure grants went to the big communities with lots of money with rich people in them. And there was a big

Julie Doran-Lee ([01:40](#)):

Article all

Vanessa West ([01:42](#)):

Again, the government is very upset. I think that's something

Julie Doran-Lee ([01:46](#)):

That's different between our community and Mackenzie area. Blue River area Community, is that what I see? They have far more upper class, higher income families.

Vanessa West ([02:05](#)):

This went to Bend in the rich area where they all have this money and they got these grant money. Well, because they had the money to pay for the better grant writers. So they scored higher points on their application due to making sure they answered all the questions correct and did all the stuff to a T with the rural areas. I still think that it would

Julie Doran-Lee ([02:27](#)):

Serve us better to work out the money to hire someone that is a professional and experienced in seeking out grants and writing grants to do some of this for us. I think we would make more money in the

Vanessa West ([02:40](#)):

Long run. I think so. We just need to do a way better job than the \$6,000 we paid from the grants money for the water and for the sewer to write that FEMA grant. They were a hundred times worse than me. I could do better. I could do better. They were awful. We're not

Julie Doran-Lee ([02:53](#)):

Arguing about that right

Vanessa West ([02:55](#)):

Now.

Sharon Kelly ([02:56](#)):

No. Go to the meeting and say, yeah,

Vanessa West ([02:58](#)):

Please. But who I do have help with right now is Civil West.