

Rhododendron CPO
Meeting Minutes
Zig Zag Inn
10:30 AM
January 16, 2010

Open Meeting

Welcome and determine quorum

President Steve Graeper called the meeting to order at 10:38 am. President Graeper, Vice President Dan Holm and Board Members Sharon Lamoreaux and Michelle Lamoreaux were present. There were 15 other members of the community and 7 guest speakers in attendance. A quorum was present.

Read Minutes

President Graeper called for the reading of the minutes for October 17, 2009. A motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of the October 17, 2009 minutes. The motion passed. President Graeper asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. It was noted that the date listed on page 2 of the distributed October 17 Minutes was incorrectly printed as July 18, 2009. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as amended. The motion passed.

Treasurers Report

Treasurer Sharon Lamoreaux gave the Treasurer's report stating the beginning balance was \$813.35. A check for \$94.00 was paid to Dan Holm for reimbursement of lawn mower and weed eater repair costs (for maintaining the Memorial Garden). That brings the account balance at \$719.35. Contributions from the Oct. 17 meeting, after paying expenses, brought the current balance to \$724.27.

Guest Speakers

Guest speakers Kyle Crate, Project Manager, and Elizabeth Craig, Community Affairs Coordinator, from Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) spoke regarding an upcoming repaving project. This project will be on US Hwy. 26 from Mile Post 44.2 to MP 49.2. The project is scheduled to begin by June 2011 with an estimated completion date of September 2011. This is a repaving and re-striping project and it will also create a slow-moving vehicle turnout and winter chain removal area from MP 47.7 to 48.9 in westbound direction. Some tree removal is necessary. Approximately 50 healthy trees too close to the roadway and approximately 50-60 unhealthy or dead trees will be removed. The question was raised regarding access to Forest Service roads during construction. Kyle Crate stated that access should not be a problem. Another question was raised regarding winter water run-off in the areas of Bell Lake, John Lake and Road 20. Kyle Crate stated that a storm water specialist would be on the team to consider those concerns. One more question was raised regarding the possibility of moving the speed sign on the east end of Rhododendron further east to slow vehicles westbound into Rhododendron and lessen the problem of vehicles speeding up east bound past Rd. 20 causing a dangerous situation for vehicles turning into Rd. 20. Kyle Crate thought we should document our concerns to ODOT. President Graeper thanked the speakers for their presentation.

Guest speakers (cont)

Guest speakers from the U.S. Census Bureau, Shirley Sweetland and Candy Carrie spoke about the upcoming census. They emphasized the importance of an accurate full count, as this will impact monies available to our area for the next ten years. Our area is a difficult area to count

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and they stated that they would like locals to be involved as temporary paid help. Call 866-861-2010 for details. There is also a more detailed survey done annually by the American Community Survey based on a sample percentage of the population. The information obtained enhances the census data and details income and various other information. President Graeper thanked the speakers for their presentation.

Guest speakers (cont)

Guest speaker Dave Fulton from Mt. Hood Corridor CPO spoke regarding concerns over the location of a cell tower applied for by AT&T. The tower would be located at 23785 Benchwood Lane, Rhododendron, OR. and one mile west of Lolo Pass Rd. off Barlow Trail Road. Only one tower application has been filed at this time, however, there may be two more tower applications submitted in the near future. He stated there would be a hearing on Feb. 18th, 2010 and also had a petition to sign for those wishing to contest the proposed location of the tower.

Old Business

President Graeper sent a letter to the Forest Service regarding Off Road Vehicle Management Plan in support of Alternative #4 (see attached) after being requested to do so by members at the last CPO meeting.

President Graeper stated he would be in contact with Clackamas County regarding progress of All Ways Towing violations and applications for current use. He knew of no resent actions taking place.

New Business

President Graeper gave a report and updated everyone regarding the problems and progress on the Rhododendron Water Assoc. rebuilding of the filter plant that was demolished by a fallen tree in December. The new filter tank array has been installed and the plant is in working order. A large tent over the plant was erected to protect the equipment until the new building is erected. Construction of the new metal structure will begin on Jan. 26 or 27.

There was no other New Business.

Adjournment

Date, place and time of next meeting: There was some discussion regarding the date, place and time for the next CPO meeting. It was determined that the date, place and time of the next CPO meeting will be:

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April 10, 2010 at 10:30 am.

There was then a motion and second to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed and the Rhododendron CPO meeting was adjourned at 11:54 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Holm, Temporary Recording Secretary