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VILLAGES AT MT. HOOD
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes

April 6, 2010

Chair Bob Reeves called the April 6th meeting of the Board of Directors of the Villages at Mt. Hood to order at 4:04 pm at the Hoodland Fire District meeting room, 69634 E. Hwy 26, Welches, OR.

Attendance:

- ❖ Committee Members Present: Rick Applegate, Shirley Dueber, Judith Norval, Bob Reeves, Brigette Romeo, Doug Saldivar, Pat Sharp, George Wilson
- ❖ Excused: Pat Buckley
- ❖ Absent:
- ❖ Staff Present: Christine Roth (County Liaison), Kate Roth (Recording Secretary)

Approval of Minutes:

The March 11th Board of Directors minutes were presented for review. Judith Norval made the motion to approve the minutes. Shirley Dueber seconded the motion.

Vote: approved, 8 – yes, 0 – no, 0 – abstain.

The Board carried the February 11th minutes to the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

With Treasurer Pat Buckley excused for the meeting, Bob Reeves presented a brief update. He reported that the Villages have received \$1000 in checks from Clackamas County. Bob also said that the Villages are due for another \$500 quarterly check soon. He also asked the Board to consider if the Villages should establish a trust account so that money could be placed there to earn interest. The Board considered whether or not to decide at the meeting or wait to allow more time to decide.

Rick Applegate moved that the Villages open a trust account to put the extra money into it. George Wilson seconded the motion.

Vote: approved, 8 – yes, 0 – no, 0 – abstain.

Communications:

Bob Reeves introduced Paul Savas, who is running for Clackamas County's Board of County Commissioners, and invited Paul to say a few words. Paul provided a brief history and explained his interest in running.

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Judith Norval read the letter that was sent to Clackamas County candidates for the May Town Hall.

County Liaison's Report:

- ❖ Christine Roth said that there is a new Hamlet of Molalla Prairie. Last Thursday the Board of County Commissioners voted to give final approval to the new Hamlet.
- ❖ She also reported that the new budget will be tight and there will not be any increases.
- ❖ There is no new Deputy County Administrator yet.

Rick Applegate asked if there had been any changes to tourism, and Christine Roth said that Linda Bell and the County are parting ways. The County will search for and hire a new director, and there is also consideration over whether tourism will remain under Business and Economic Services, or if it will be under the County Administrator.

Unfinished Business: ODOT Construction Letter

George Wilson presented and read a draft of the letter. He said that he had spoken with Sandra Palmer to see what local businesses would like for information when he was writing the letter.

- ❖ Shirley Dueber asked that there be clarification on whether the letter would focus on “summer” or “all seasons” for construction information. The Villages Board decided to use all seasons.
- ❖ Brigitte Romeo brought up the issue of snow removal, and Pat Sharp said that the issue of snow removal would probably need to be addressed at a different meeting and through the County.
- ❖ Rick Applegate said that he supports the letter, and that he would like to see the Villages Board invite the project manager to a meeting before the start of each summer construction season, and to have the winter issues handled in a different way.
- ❖ Christine Roth advised the Villages Board to be clear about if the Villages want to be part of the planning process, and to consider directing the letter to a specific person.

Rick Applegate moved to approve the letter with the changes (summer to seasons). Doug Saldivar seconded the motion.

Vote: approved, 8 – yes, 0 – no, 0 – abstain.

Unfinished Business: Forest Service Collaboration report

Bob Reeves met with a small group and Duane Bishop about the thirty percent design for the new U.S. Forest Service building. There were twelve people, and the discussion included a question and answer portion. Bob Reeves noted that Bob and Margaret Thurman had attended, and had asked several good questions. When there is a sixty percent design there will be an open house, and the Community will be invited.

Doug Saldivar asked about a summary of the meeting, and Bob said that when he received it he would forward it on to the Villages Board.

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Unfinished Business: Brightwood Centennial

Brigette Romeo reported that Sue Allen has sent a draft image of the postal cancellation out. The venue for the event will likely be the store or outside the store. It will be on May 6th around 3 or 4 in the afternoon, and that it would be good to have a cake for the event. She said that there is a need to publicize the centennial.

Judith Norval moved that the Board authorize a purchased cake for the Centennial celebration. Rick Applegate seconded the motion.

Vote: approved, 8 – yes, 0 – no, 0 – abstain.

Unfinished Business: Finalize May 15th Town Hall

Judith Norval reported that all of the candidates except for two have responded. Christine Chin Ryan will moderate the forum and Nancy Dougherty will introduce the candidates. Candidates attending include: Bob Austin, Paul Savas, Warren Kitchen, Jim Needham, Ann Lininger, Dan Holladay, Jim Bernard, Sherry Hall and Melody Thompson. Information about the event has been given to Larry Berteau from the *Mountain Times*, and the information should be in the May issue.

Unfinished Business: Send out invitations for August Town Hall

Bob Reeves asked if the Board would still like to invite the Clackamas County Sheriff's Department and the Hoodland Fire Department. He said he spoke with Craig Roberts, the Sheriff, when he saw him, and the Sheriff said the Department would be interested in participating.

- ❖ Doug Saldivar asked if the Town Hall could be emergency themed. He suggested including representatives who could speak about forest fires and volcano preparedness.
- ❖ Bob Reeves also said that Cam Gilmour could be invited up to talk about roads and codes.
 - Christine Roth said that there is a committee working on emergency preparedness with the USGS, and said that the Committee would like to do a formal presentation when the report is done.
- ❖ Brigette Romeo suggested having food at the Town Hall in August to attract more people.
- ❖ Rick Applegate asked about having the August Town Hall have a public safety focus. He would like the Board to have time to talk to Cam Gilmour before a Town Hall.
- ❖ Sandra Palmer said that the League of Women Voters and the Villages Town Halls always seem to have a conflict, and the Villages should think about the scheduling conflict.
- ❖ George Wilson reported that the end of March was the last date for Western Rivers to make payments on the Cedar Ridge Property, and he asked Christine Roth if there could be a letter or document from Clackamas County for the next Villages Board meeting on what the County will do with the property and finances.

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- ❖ Coni Scott reported that the Bite of Mt. Hood would occur on Saturday May 1st from five to ten pm at the Mt Hood RV Village. There will be nine restaurants, three wineries and a brewpub participating. She also gave away three tickets.

New Business: Respond to Land Use Sustainability Amendment to the Zoning Ordinances and Comprehensive Plan

- ❖ Doug Saldivar reported that Clackamas County sent an overview. He does not want to do a detailed study of the document, and he also thinks that it has good goals and aims. He would also like to see the Villages support the plan with a letter.
- ❖ Dave Fulton said that the Mt Hood Corridor Community Planning Organization (CPO) is largely okay with the idea, but wants to figure out how to read all the documents and be able to study the documents as well. Dave said that the deadline for comment in April 26th.
- ❖ Rick Applegate asked how does the Villages Board support the CPO on the ZDO recommendations?
- ❖ Bob Reeves suggested focusing on how the changes would affect unincorporated rural Clackamas County rather than on the land use.
- ❖ Doug Saldivar also added that he would like the Villages to support Clackamas County's Sustainability Action Plan.

New Business: Discuss Canceling May 13th Board Meeting

There was a discussion over whether or not to cancel the May 13th meeting because it is so close to the Town Hall meeting and neither the County Liaison nor the Recording Secretary could attend. The Board also considered whether or not to make signs for the Town Hall at the May 13th meeting.

Shirley Dueber moved that the meeting not be cancelled. Doug Saldivar seconded the motion.
Vote: approved, 8 – yes, 0 – no, 0 – abstain.

Committee Reports – Green Scene

Doug Saldivar reported that the planning is still going well, and he handed out pamphlets for the event. He announced that the Mountain Express Line will run extra for the day, and that Jim Bernard is coming to the event and will speak around 11:30 am. There is another meeting on Wednesday at 6 at the school.

Judith Norval reported that there is not enough storage for books because of the large number of donations, and she is looking for extra storage space. Brigitte Romeo volunteered to have books stored at her house.

Committee Reports – Main Street Update

Brigitte Romeo reported that there is no date yet for the second meeting, but it will still be in the evening. Doug Saldivar suggested having a meeting dedicated to Main Street, perhaps the May

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13 meeting. The Villages Board also wanted to get postcards mailed before the first of May if the evening meeting for May 13 would be centered on Main Street.

Committee Reports – Tourism Committee revised Action Plan

Rick Applegate reported that he took the finances out of the draft. He also announced that the Governor's Conference on Tourism runs from Sunday to Tuesday in Bend, and he will be attending.

Bob Reeves reported that the Mountain Express Line action plan is almost drafted.

Committee Reports – Welches Road

Shirley Dueber presented the draft plan for Welches Road. She said that she spoke with Ken Fisher from roads, and that he addressed some of the list of concerns. She would like to have representatives from Transportation (Clackamas County) come to an evening meeting to answer questions. The Board also discussed if the County is currently funding the projects. Christine Roth advised the Board to consider inviting Cam Gilmour to a meeting to discuss Welches Road and plans.

Any Persons to be Heard:

- ❖ Nancy Spencer: The only ODOT construction this summer will be in the Laurelville area, and not in the Villages area. Also, when the ODOT letter is almost ready the Villages Board should consider sending a copy to Jerry Sable. Also, she suggested considering the use of the old firehouse for the Brightwood centennial.
- ❖ Sandra Palmer: She asked if the Villages Board knew the official reason for closing the restrooms at the Government Camp rest stop. Christine Roth said that the closure was due to the cost to clean and maintain the facility.
- ❖ Dave Fulton: The environmental group BARK is having a meeting on Wednesday in Portland for comments on a Forest Service notice.

Shirley Dueber reported that on May 8th at five pm there will be a Mexican Dinner for Mountain Express Line matching funds at the Lion's Club. Also, on May 24th there will be a Lion's Club dinner for scholarships.

Adjournment:

Chair Bob Reeves adjourned the meeting at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Roth
Recording Secretary