

CMCA GENERAL MEETING

MAY 11, 2013

In attendance: Mary & Scott Gordon, Neil & Ardis Schroeder, Bill & Carol Thwaites, Jon & Marjorie Hirsch, Deborah & Mike Neal, Dave & Rheua Watkins, Bob Ollikainen, Pete Steen, Jane Spence, Jim Woodle, Mike Watkins, Veronica Paraccini, Bob Garrigues, Spike Klobas, Bob Yolton, Cathy (Rose) Beard, Keith & Anita Johanson, Chris Spence, Dianna "Pasta" Moore, Charles Ansorge, Louise Watkins

President Chris Spence called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. Chris reported the passing of our neighbor, Dave Hanset, who recently had surgery. A funeral mass will be held on May 17 at Christ the King Church in Milwaukie. The memorial bench at Woodle's oceanfront home incorporates mahogany that Dave found. Our thoughts and prayers are with Erma and the Hanset family.

The minutes of the February 9, 2012 CMCA meeting were accepted by acclamation. Chris thanked Louise for her two terms as CMCA Secretary.

Chris announced that immediately following the CMCA meeting Bob Garrigues would report on current water issues, Liane Welch from the Tillamook County Road Dept. would discuss the lighthouse road closure, and Gordon McCraw from Tillamook County Dept. of Emergency Services would discuss emergency preparedness.

Treasurer Dianna "Pasta" Moore reported a balance of \$ 1,599.47 in the CMCA General Fund.

The election of CMCA officers for the term beginning July 2014 was the first order of business. Chris announced the resignation of BJ Byron as CMCA Social Chairman. The officers serving the current term of July 2013- July 2014 are:

President: Chris Spence

Treasurer: "Pasta" Moore

Secretary: Charles Ansorge

Schoolhouse Building Manager(s): Jim and Donna Bessire

Vacancies on the CMCA Board currently include: President-Elect, Treasurer-Elect, Secretary-Elect, and Social Chairman.

Deborah Neal volunteered to serve as incoming Social Chairman. Chris accepted and appointed her to begin immediately. Deborah may be contacted at dct.neal@gmail.com.

Nominations included:

Charles Ansorge for President-Elect

Bob Yolton for Secretary-Elect

Chris Spence for Treasurer-Elect

Schoolhouse Building Manager(s)-Elect: Mike and Patty Smith

All nominees were elected by acclamation and will join Deborah as immediate CMCA Board members, and will assume their elected positions in July 2014.

Under old business, Chris accepted Charles Ansorge's report on the results of the vote to select the siding choice for the schoolhouse repair: 57% (34) of the total votes cast chose the old-growth cedar shingle option with 25%

(15) of the votes cast for Hardi-Plank manufactured siding. The vote was the first conducted by the Qualtrics online program. If you would like to add your email to participate in future electronic voting, contact Charles at cansorge@me.com.

Chris reported that Randy Klobas has volunteered to instruct and lead a volunteer repair team to begin work in the Summer of 2014.

Fundraising was the next order of business with the necessity of raising approximately \$ 9,000 for shingles and materials, as well as to supplement the CMCA General Fund for the approximate \$ 5000 annual operating expense for the schoolhouse and CMCA social events.

Chris reported on the research the CMCA Board is doing to clarify and perhaps establish CMCA's tax status. Board members met with local tax attorney Deb Dyson, who has extensive experience with non-profit organizations in Tillamook County. If CMCA becomes a 501(c) 3 under Oregon law, then contributions to the schoolhouse repair fund would be tax-deductible. Current CMCA's operations are not within a legal framework. Ms. Dyson's fee to complete the necessary application is approximately \$2000. Bob Ollikainin inquired about the possibility of filing the application without legal assistance. Chris responded that those who met with her were of the opinion that the process would be difficult to navigate if attempted by community volunteers. The decision to pursue a course of action will be discussed at the next CMCA Board Meeting and future CMCA General meetings.

Chris opened the discussion of fundraising. He reported that Carol Freedman has volunteered to join a Fundraising Committee. Marjorie Hirsch, Veronica Paraccini, and Anita Johanson also volunteered and will begin to gather ideas for this community effort. Possible fundraising events discussed included a Poker Night at the schoolhouse, and a "Bed and Breakfast" weekend.

Pete Steen reported that the Cape Meares Emergency Task Force has made progress in establishing storage areas on high ground at the top of 7th St. and 3rd St. with the assistance of Bob Yolton and Mike Neal. Donations have enabled the purchase of a \$600 water filter, capable of processing 24 gallons of clean water per hour and 13, 6-gal food storage buckets containing rice, beans, and barley to augment residents' supplies in the event of an emergency which results in long-term isolation of Cape Meares. These buckets have a 30-year shelf life. Additional donations of emergency supplies are welcome, and there is space available. Pete reported that Jerry Thompson has installed two rain barrels at his residence which will provide an emergency water source for him, and that Jerry is willing to offer advice to other homeowners who are interested in this option.

Chris announced the potential of a new Cape Meares water tank site, which will be discussed in detail by Bob Garrigues following the meeting.

The annual Memorial Day Potluck picnic will be held Sunday May 23 at noon at the schoolhouse. Please bring a dish to serve 8 to share. A suggested donation to help defray the cost of the event is \$2 for children and \$4 for adults. A donation container will be available at the beginning of the food line.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Louise Watkins, CMCA Secretary