

CAPE MEARES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

October 18, 2015

1:00 PM

ATTENDANCE

Charles Ansonge
Marcille Ansonge
Kevin Burke

Anita Johansen
Deborah Neal
Mike Neal

Charles Saxon
Mike Smith

1. Call the Meeting to order.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by the President, Charles Ansonge

2. Approval of Agenda.

Changes to the agenda included changing Item C under Old Business to November instead of August and adding D. Credit Card Use to New Business.

3. GUESTS: Mike Neal attended as a guest.

4. Approve the Minutes June 29, 2015 Board Meeting

There were no changes to the June 29 minutes and Kevin moved and Deborah seconded that we accept them and the motion passed by voice vote.

5. Review the Financial Statements as of October 1, 2015.

Copies of the Financial Statement as of October 1 were passed out by Anita Johanson, Treasurer. As of September 30, 2015 there was \$3633.94 in the TLC checking account and \$4445.93 in the SHPF for a total of \$8088.87. \$3967 has been spent on the storage shed for which CMCA will be reimbursed by the PUD grant when it is finished. Deborah Neal said she is donating supplies for the construction of the storage shed but was told to keep a record of her contribution. Kevin Burke moved and Deborah seconded that we accept the report and the motion passed by voice vote.

6. REPORTS

A. Social Chair (Deborah Neal)

Deborah presented the following report:

CMCA Board Meeting October 18, 2015 Social Chair Report Deborah Neal
Old Events

Labor Day. The turn out for the Labor Day Event was as expected; about 50 people. This was similar to previous years. The weather was perfect, and the mood was jovial. The Johansens prepared a feast of pulled pork, as well as coleslaw and guests brought additional delicious food.

The fire department was highlighted with a visit from the truck and Allan Christensen presented comments about the processes used for fire protection in and around Cape Meares. Guests enjoyed having a chance to check out the truck. Many people helped clean up, and most agreed it was a particularly enjoyable afternoon.

September's End Potluck. With a healthy turnout of about 35 people, all cheery due to our extended summer weather, we enjoyed a potluck-potluck with more than enough food to fill us up. After the meal, we enjoyed an Open Mic where quite a few guests offered comments, narratives, and stories to entertain the gathering. Several mentioned afterward how much they enjoyed hearing from neighbors about their lives.

New Events

Halloween. The Social Director, having previously noted the possibility of being out of town for Halloween, was delighted to receive offers to handle the Halloween Potluck. As it happens, the

Social Director will actually not be out of town over Halloween, but she is unsure about the month of December, due to the uncertainty of how much help her daughter will need with twins, once the other grandparents leave town from their residency helping out.

The crew of those offering to cover Halloween are still most welcome to do Halloween, though they are also off the hook if they would be equally comfortable being on call for Help on New Year's Eve or the Holiday Celebration on December 12th. That crew consists of the Spences, who are likely not going to be available to do anything to help other than be in attendance, so they will be invited to join in for their own amusement if they wish, but there will be no expectation of being assigned tasks. I will follow up this week with others who offered to help and see what they prefer. (The additional hosts are Carol Friedman and Mary and Scott Gordon.) In any case, I will be on hand to decorate for Halloween and go through the usual process, with or without volunteers.

Holiday Celebration. The Holiday Celebration includes a caroling party, which I hope will be covered by Ellen Steen. It has seemed a bit early to plan that until after Halloween. The formal Holiday Celebration is on December 12. It will involve drinks at 6 PM and dinner at 6:30, in holiday garb, with especially festive potluck offerings, a crazy gift exchange, and informal holiday music, the Yule log if we have a TV at that time, and whatever else seems like a good idea when the time comes. I will be happy to decorate before I go to California, and make sure that if, for any reason, I don't make it back for the actual event, that I find a substitute to oversee the event. I am not planning to leave for California until, at the earliest, December 5th, so preparing everything should be easy enough.

It is my intention to be in Oregon for Christmas and New Years, but I would really appreciate finding a person or persons to "be on a committee for" the silent auction in terms of the following duties:

1. Publicity and /instructions to donors and purchasers
2. Writing thank you notes to those who donated, enclosing tax receipts, and mailing them.
3. Documenting (photos with notes) what was donated and its disposition
4. Being in charge of the Ice Cream Social/sparkling cider (food) part of the event
5. Someone going around to local businesses requesting donations (this brings in \$\$\$)

#1, #2, and #5 all take place outside of the actual date of the auction, and can be a little bit time consuming. I am happy to provide examples of exactly what has been done in the past so they won't have to figure out how to do any of these things. I am just concerned that these things will fall through the cracks if I am busy attending to issues in California.

#3 is only during the event (8 PM to 12 AM)

#4 requires shopping on New Year's Eve for ice and ice cream, and possibly preparing some interesting toppings. People will bring other desserts so it's just an hour at Freddy's plus some handling during the party.

Normally, the treasurer would handle all matters related to cash, taking it in, recording it, banking it. I would recommend, if it isn't too difficult, to consider getting an APP to take credit cards, both for this and for other events. We could ask for monthly contributions to the general fund as well. The treasurer is encouraged to deputize helpers as needed.

Nothing yet is planned for January, but that is as it should be.

After the report, Deborah said that it would be helpful to have a means of taking credit card payments at the Silent Auction. Such an app would be Square. The problem is that there is no wi fi connection at the Community Center. The Board will look at possibilities of creating a connection and of apps that would work.

It was suggested that items for sale at the Silent Auction be posted on Next Door before New Year's Eve so residents may bid in advance with closing at noon on December 31st.

B. Building and Grounds (Mike and Patti Smith)

Mike Smith reported that there was a problem with the refrigerator door and he would contact All Star Appliance for repair. He said that the barbeque grill has been difficult to move and that Chris Spence has built a cart to make it easier to move; Mike will pick up the cart at Chris' house and get the grill on the cart. Oregon State University softball team rented a home for a retreat in September and rented the Community Center for meals and meetings. They enjoyed meeting members of the community and having the use of Harold and Merry Ann Bennett's fire pit; they may come back in the future.

Mike said that since the doggie waste bags have not been available he has not seen more dog waste on the beach and asked for comments from others; there were none. For now, no bags will be purchased. A discussion was held whether the dispenser should be taken down. Because there is a sign saying that dog waste should be picked by the pet owner, it will remain there.

Events at the Community Center for October include a card party on October 24 and the Halloween party on October 31st at 6:00 pm.

For November they include a CMCA meeting on November 14th and an Oceanside Water Board meeting on November 17th.

In December there is a holiday social on December 12th from 6 to 9 pm, caroling at 5 pm on December 20th, and the New Year's Eve party and silent auction on December 31st from 8 to 12 pm.

Deborah said that the art group may meet at some time in October and would let Mike know when.

Mike reported that there was \$134.38 in the building maintenance fund.

C. SOS Update Re Proposed Spit Rezoning

Charles A. reported that the next meeting regarding the Spit Rezoning Proposal, which would change the zoning from Recreation Management (RM) to Recreation Natural (RN), is Thursday, November 12th at 7 pm at the Tillamook County Court House. John Harland and Charles A. are recruiting volunteers to make 3-minute presentations in favor of the Proposal. They also encourage those who support the change to attend the meeting even if they do not testify. Anyone wishing to present may contact Charles A. for tips.

Deborah commented that at the previous hearing many landowners made presentations against the change but were vague about reasons for doing. She asked to contact owners to learn what it is they want to be able to do with their property under the present zoning that they would not be able to do with a change.

D. PUD Grant Progress Report (Mike Neal)

Mike N. reported that the storage facility on 7th Street is 95% finished. The major task remaining is roofing. Volunteers are needed and it has been difficult to get them. A discussion followed on whether CMCA should hire workers to complete it. There is money left in the Grant but it is not certain if it can be used to hire workers. In order to receive the money from the Grant, the facility needs to be finished before the end of the year. Charles A. and Mike N. will contact PUD to learn if the funds can be used for paying for help.

The next task will be stocking the storage unit. The Board will look for grants from various agencies to help with the costs.

7. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Credit Cards for Building and Grounds and Social chair

Charles Ansorge reported that the credit cards have been ordered and should be received soon.

B. Community Report on 100-acre property given to CMCA by Stimson

Charles A. reported that a document is available that states that according to Oregon law, CMCA is not liable for injuries. Danger signs may be posted indicating risk to anyone walking on the property.

C. Agenda for November CMCA Meeting

Any items for the November CMCA meeting should be sent to Charles A.

D. Procedures for managing money received for CMCA matters

Anita presented information about ways to handle money. Right now she handles all matters related to writing checks and making payments. She passed out a document making suggestions about how money should be handled by non-profits to prevent any irregularities. This will be reviewed by the Board.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A. 2016 Fundraiser (Anita Johanson)

Anita will prepare a letter to send to residents of the community and have it ready to send by December 1. The fundraising goal is \$5000.00. Anita will include how the money will be used. A discussion was held on how to make contributions online to CMCA; the Board will explore ways of doing this.

The Silent Auction will also raise funds for CMCA.

Deborah offered ideas for fundraising for the future, which include raffles, a holiday bazaar, Cape Meares cards, and Cape Meares t-shirts.

B. Contribution to Tillamook Fire from CMCA

A discussion was held whether CMCA should make a contribution to Tillamook Fire, a volunteer organization. Tillamook Fire was present at the Labor Day potluck with equipment and a speaker who talked about their work. Since the organization had a shortfall during their spring fund drive, they asked for donations and individual residents contributed \$200.00. Kevin Burke moved and Charles S. seconded that CMCA contribute \$200.00. Motion passed by voice vote.

Residents are encouraged to make contributions; information will be posted on Next Door at the time of their next fundraiser in the spring.

C. Great Oregon Shake-Out 2015

Charles A reported that the 10:15 am October 15 Great Oregon Shake-Out had 10 residents who participated by meeting at the assembly points. Residents of the Seaview neighborhood will be writing scenarios of their experience with the earthquake followed by the tsunami at that moment and after.

Discussion followed on how to get more people involved. The Board may prepare a survey to learn of residents' interest in preparedness.

D. Credit Card Use

Anita Johansen passed out the forms for suggested guidelines for credit card use. Aggregate monthly purchases are not to exceed \$500.00. Further discussion will follow at the next meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:08 PM.

ALL REGULAR MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO CAPE MEARES RESIDENTS. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED.

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