

CAPE MEARES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Community Meeting April 13, 2019

Minutes

Next Community Meeting: Saturday July 27 at 10:00 am

1. Welcome

Meeting called to order by President, Deborah Thomas Neal at 10:00am, Saturday, April 13, 2019.

2. Approval of minutes

Motion to accept minutes of February meeting was proposed by Deborah and seconded by Kevin. There was no discussion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Anita was reviewed the finances. The CMCA finances remain solid with good support from the community. Motion to approve the report was proposed by Deborah and seconded by Kevin. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

Thank you to Anita for continuing to be very diligent and prudent managing CMCA's finances

4. Building Manager's Report

The Community Center and grounds clean-up is scheduled for April 27. All who would like to volunteer to help are invited to assemble at 9:00

Everything is running smoothly at the Community Center. Everyone who uses the Community Center is reminded to unplug the stove to completely shut it off. Discussion about alternative stoves and whether we needed one. Patti will investigate further

5. Emergency Preparedness Committee Report

Chris and Mike are evaluating sites for a 3rd storage shed and triage medical building and have become concerned about long term maintenance of the facilities we have and continuing to maintain the supplies in the sheds. The feeling is that we have not built too much, but we should develop a viable maintenance plan before building much more.

This report stimulated discussion the shelf life of the building contents, the amount of maintenance needed on the buildings and about how we involve others. Generating interest and enthusiasm for disaster preparedness amongst new and younger members of the community is important as they will be the continuity and volunteers for the future. Ideas discussed included leveraging the July 4th picnic – our largest event of the year; involving people when there is a quarterly opportunity to access personal boxes (eg for medication changes); having an annual tour of the facilities.

Other items discussed: look to what other proactive communities are doing to engage a broader section of the population; could we include preparedness in our introduction to new community members; and interest may change rapidly if there is another event such as the Japanese

earthquake. Having (reusable) name tags at the community pot lucks may help people get to know their neighbors better.

Question was asked whether Cape Meares can fund two satellite phones to get communication with the outside, following an emergency. There are many different plans and Mike Neal will investigate which options may suit us best as a maintenance plan. There was strong support for the idea that we would agree to purchase of the phones at our next meeting after we decide on the most appropriate plan.

Many thanks to Chris for leading a class on emergency preparedness in the afternoon following the community meeting.

6. Board Elections

Meeting opened for nominations to the board, there were no nominations. Beverly proposed a motion that all existing Board members be re-nominated; the motion was seconded by Pete, Board members in attendance agreed and the motion was passed unanimously.

Discussion about whether volunteer committee chairs should become members of the Board as this might include them in the officers and director's insurance. It was indicated that anything the Preparedness Committee does goes to the Board for approval and so should be included under the CMCA insurance.

7. Old Business

- Deborah and Mike Neal are developing a policy on personal storage bins for the Emergency storage facilities, such items as what types of things can be stored, eligibility, frequency of access to add/update bins and how to label/identify the bins. Anyone can email Deborah or Mike with ideas or concerns

8. New Business

- Plastics Pollution Awareness Day in Tillamook on April 27 at the 2nd Street Plaza, lots of interesting ideas and program starts at noon with speaker from the Oregon Aquarium taking about the impact of plastics on marine life
- Question asked about why we don't have trash cans? Problem is that people dump household trash in the bins which then become overloaded and then animals scatter the garbage. SOLV bags are better.
- Last year we had a nesting pair of endangered Snowy Plover birds nesting in the dunes on the N end of the spit. Signs have been put up to limit access and limit certain activities to encourage the birds. Please observe these restrictions
- As some of us full time residents get older, we need to develop approaches to provide social support for each other
- Fire Dept has a new emergency approach to the beach from the Bayocean Rd/4th St parking lot – moved to the south of the pole because of storm caused changes. Please encourage people not to park in the marked off area
- We were very sad to hear Barbara Bennett has passed away. Barbara was a pillar of our community for many years, bringing people together and will be sorely missed

No further business: Deborah adjourned the meeting at 11:45

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Board Members in attendance

Deborah Neal, President	Patti Smith
Anita Johanson, Treasurer	John Harland, Secretary
Mike Smith	Mary Gordon

Community Members

Kevin Burke	Peggy Lindquist
Kathy Burke	Pete Steen
Mike Neal	Charles Ansorge
Bev Stein	Chris Spence
Brad Ayers	Keith Johanson
Andy Ayers	

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