

CAPE MEARES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Community Meeting November 13, 2021

Minutes

Next Meeting 10:00am, Saturday February 12, 2022

1. **Welcome**

Meeting called to order by President, Wendy Burroughs at 10:00am, Saturday, November 13, 2021.

2. **Approval of minutes – John Harland**

Secretary John Harland summarized the minutes of the September 18 meeting. Motion to accept minutes of September meeting was proposed by John and seconded by Spike. There was no further discussion, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

John asked for suggestions on how to post the minutes. Input was to post the minutes on Next Door, on the CMCA web site and post them on the bulletin board at the Community Center

3. **Treasurer's Report**

No treasurer's report this meeting

Fund raising was discussed. We have two fund raising events, the silent auction, and the fund-raising letter. Recently these had both been held at the end of the year and compete against each other. Suggestion to have the silent auction in summer around July 4 so we can get visitors to participate. The silent auction has many great items, the challenge is finding bidders

4. **Building Manager's Report – Patti Smith**

Patti indicated everything is running smoothly at the Community Center. The plan is to paint the building trim in May, or the painter will try to do earlier if there is good weather. The painter has indicated he will caulk and remove rusty nails, etc.

When Patti came into the community center on Wednesday, there was water on the floor that appeared to have come from around the chimney during the storm. She left out trays to catch water and these just had a tablespoon of water. She assumes the water was just coming in with the big storm and wind.

Jenny Francis is planning to start craft days in the community, Thanks, Jenny -- look for notices on Next Door

5. **Social Committee – Kathy Burke**

There will be an appetizer potluck on December 11, which will comprise two events, the first at 4 – 5:30 and the other at 6:00 – 8:00. The social committee is asking people to make reservations so numbers can be limited and appropriate Covid precautions taken. Personal message Mary Gordon through Next Door for reservations

July 4th celebration is not a social committee event. Volunteer opportunity for someone to take this over – there are three elements: Parade, food and entertainment.

6. Emergency Preparedness Committee Report – Kathy Burke

The new shed is 99% complete and people are working on getting it stocked. The Committee will be asking for volunteers to periodically check each shed for any problems.

On education: Pete Steen has agreed to do 2 classes on Fire and Water and Tech Prep (Kevin will help) – Pete’s classes are always interesting and informative, look for announcements.

Charles Anson gave a recap of the “Great Oregon Shakeout” which is a drill to practice preparedness for earthquakes and tsunamis – Charles recommended that people check their to-go bags and check their plans for getting to higher ground – The only uncertainty is when, not whether there will be a “big one” -- so prepare. Thanks, Charles, for your leadership

7. New Business

Coleman Creek Watershed – Wendy Burroughs discussed water sheds and how important they are for wildlife and the health of the whole ecosystem that we live in. The Coleman Creek water shed with Lake Meares is the largest lake in Tillamook County and renowned nationally and internationally for our great birds and animals

Recently a neighbor noticed Coleman Creek was running very muddy and transporting a lot of mud into Cape Meares Lake. After a lot of investigation, it was discovered the source was new logging activity. The landowner has a permit to log 87 acres and repair a culvert on the old Cape Meares water tank access road. Wendy, Chris Spence and others, with the help of an attorney were able to get the logging stopped until next Spring. After the logging was stopped, the Coleman Creek ran clear.

There is a lot of concern in the community that future logging may result in landslides that damage property in Cape Meares and cause more silting of the lake (exacerbating problems that already exist)

A committee was formed to further investigate, identify risks, and recommend potential actions (if any). Members who volunteered are Wendy Burroughs, Chris Spence, Randy Klobas, Narayan Lincoln, Charles Anson, Scott Gordon, and John Harland. Anyone else who would like to get involved should contact Wendy.

No further business, Wendy adjourned the meeting at 11:45

Meetings for next year:

- Sat. Feb. 12th 2022 @10am
- Sat. May 14th 2022 @10am
- Sat. August 13th 2022 @10am