CMCA Minutes February 12, 2011

We hope you are making plans to attend the next General Meeting of the Cape Meares Community Association on Saturday, May 14 at 10:00. Sometimes there is coffee and cookies!! You'll always meet some new people and the discussions are lively. Much of this meeting will involve lessons learned from the Japan tsunami.

Minutes of Cape Meares Community Association General Meeting

February 12, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Jack Drafahl at 10:00. Fifteen members were present.

Committee Reports:

The Treasurer's report was submitted and approved. We have a checking account balance of \$5,968.61 as of 2/11/11. The Treasurer intendeds to invest \$2,500 of these funds in a Certificate of Deposit.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved. The Secretary noted that there is a posting of approximately a dozen e-mail addresses needing corrections. Barbara and Wendell Johnsen's name will be added to the mailing list.

Building Management:

Cleaning of the building following an event is the responsibility of the event sponsor. All elements of food must be swept from the floor and kitchen to avoid rodent problems. This has been less than desired.

The Building Manager noted the completion of floor refinishing (cleaned and oiled). Also noted was the donation and mounting of the Cape Meares mosaic taken by Jack Drafahl and framed by Chris Spence above the windows on the west wall of the main room. A plaque will be arranged with details on the photo. Jack Drafahl brought and demonstrated the NAVSCAN intelligence camera used in this photo, also used by Navy SEALS to take water/ground lever 180 degree photos.

A special silent auction will be held on the July 4th weekend. A color version of the photo will be donated for a silent auction for CMCA with the stipulation the minimum bid must be \$200 or more. Sue Beckman will donate stained glass. Other donations are encouraged with minimum bids of \$50.00. Volunteers are needed to assist and plan the auction.

Volunteers are also needed to paint trim on the clubhouse door.

The pull-down video screen donated by Bob and Nell Fitzgerald, needs an electrician to install wiring. Approved \$150 for this task. The screen is needed for group presentations/laptop uses.

Our Building Manager of the past 8 years, Sue Beckman, is stepping down August 1. Discussion included job-sharing ideas, an assistant building manager and outreach to the community to find interested volunteers. A major part of the task is maintaining the property. A separate but equally important part is the scheduling, rental and preparation of the building for events. Different individuals might be suited to share this responsibility. Volunteers needed!

Old Business:

Speakers: The members request a presentation by the Coast Guard on status of the North jetty. The suggested time is 11:00 following the May general membership meeting. Dave Toner will make the arrangements. Notices of such matters can be sent to the Headlight Herald c/o Barbara Bennett by 5:00 Wednesday the week prior to the meeting.

Changing the frequency of general membership meetings was discussed. It was decided there would be no change.

Calendar photos must be submitted by May 14th. The territory includes up to the end of Bay Ocean Road.

New Business:

Emergency Preparedness:

Pete Steen presented products and ideas related to community survivability...food canisters from Costco with 275 freeze dried servings, purified water systems such as the Burkee Water Purifier, which 2-3 could serve all of Cape Meares. He advises all those living below 4th street assume they will not be able to retrieve supplies from home in the event of a tsunami. The Ziady's at the top of 3rd Street have volunteer storage for some survival supplies. Community Emergency Response Training will be available starting February 15; \$25 for 7 sessions; 3 volunteer places available; training in fire, medical, search and rescue, organization and simulations.

Membership:

New residents and owners needed to be readily introduced to the community via the general membership meetings and/or special events. Not only should the community get to know new neighbors, but they in turn need to know how they can become involved as volunteers/officers. OUR NEXT GENERAL MEETING IS SATURDAY, MAY 14 @ 10:00. ALL THOSE WHO ARE NEW OR NOT YET INVOLVED, PLEASE COME....BIG GROUP HUG!!

The Secretary shall send a special notice of membership outreach; include member volunteerism and solicitation in the minutes and e-mails.

It was decided to form a Membership Committee to stimulate and engage new owners and new participants in CMCA. A portion of every General Meeting will be devoted to acknowledging and introducing new members in the community. Jane Spence and Louise Watkins volunteered.

Volunteerism:

All of Cape Meares activities and properties are run and cared for by volunteers. There are events, food issues, publicity, cleanup, emergency preparedness, communications, legal and insurance, record keeping, building maintenance, landscaping, neighboring community contacts, water and roads, beach patrols.....all volunteer! A good opportunity to contribute for everybody! Eden Toner has volunteered to coordinate the effort to bring volunteers to the service of the community.

Social Committee:

Potlucks are held the last Saturday of the month @ 6:00 in the clubhouse. Bring a dish, entrée to desert. Coffee and soft drinks are provided. Cocktails OK.

The Memorial Day potluck is on Sunday. Meats and soda provided. Volunteers needed

The traditional 4th of July Parade needs a volunteer leader and organizer (2 persons?)

Regional Beach Cleanup:

Ann Kincaid leads this all-volunteer effort to keep our beach clean. Interested persons can sign up with Ann. The idea is to walk the beach and pick up trash. Sign up for one month; Jan, Feb and Dec are taken. See Ann for particulars.

Respectfully submitted,

David J. Toner, Secretary