

CAPE MEARES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Community Meeting May 13, 2017

Draft Minutes

1. Meeting called to order by president, Deborah Thomas Neal at 10:00am, Saturday, May 13, 2017.

A motion to approve the minutes of the February 11th meeting was proposed by Kevin Burke and seconded by Jon Hirsch. There was no discussion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

2. **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Anita reviewed the finances. Currently in our checking account there is enough money to pay for our operating expenses during 2017 at the rate of our expenses last year. \$500 has been contributed to our reserves and there is money in the Emergency Fund that the Emergency committee is deploying – see Emergency Preparedness Committee report below

President Deborah made a special “Thank You” to the members of our community who have contributed so generously to the Emergency Preparedness fund to make us one of the best prepared unincorporated communities on the coast

A motion to approve the treasurer's report was proposed by Kevin Burke and seconded by Keith Johanson. The motion was approved unanimously

3. **Social Director's Report**

Mary Gordon gave an update for the Social Committee. There have been some great potlucks that people attending have very much enjoyed, thank you to all our “hosts”. On the Sunday before Memorial Day, BJ and Keith will be smoking turkey. The next event will be the July 4th picnic where our volunteer fire fighters will be christening our new grill. The parade is organized separately from CMCA. Potential to do an emergency preparedness booth at the July 4 picnic to raise awareness and educate our visitors

No June or August pot lucks, but there will be the Labor Day celebration.

There is a change in the December potluck and the caroling so they will not coincide on the same week, and as previously announced there will not be a New Year's community celebration this year.

Jenny and Tomé are continuing to arrange mid-month movie nights at the Community Center. These have been a lot of fun for attendees and everyone is welcome (Saturdays, mid-cycle between potlucks). Look out for announcements for movies – thanks Jenny and Tomé.

4. **Building Manager's Report**

All goes well with the Community Center! Thanks to all who helped with the cleanup day in April; the new grill is ready. On Saturday a jazzercise class will be making their annual retreat to Cape Meares

5. Spit Committee Report

No progress on the County dialogue with Oregon Parks and Recreation Dept. while the legislature is in session.

Report on Ron Rehn's, ODFW, proposal to build a dock in Cape Meares Lake – He has \$41K match committed, he has to have his proposal submitted by the end of June and a contractor is coming to review the site shortly. He will hear if his proposal is accepted by the end of September.

There was considerable community discussion about the proposal. In general, there is a lot of support for the goal of increasing safety by getting fishers away from the road with people driving so fast, but there is concern about the safety of parking on the curve leading to the dike road and attracting more people and their cars to exacerbate the situation. In subsequent communication, Ron indicated that the SE corner of the lake is the only location with adequate space to get cars off the road and the primary concern is getting people away from the narrow strip on Bayocean Rd

There was also much discussion about what the community can do to reduce speed on Bayocean road – both along the lake and at the corner of 12th. We briefly discussed the difficulties inherent in getting a formal legal adjustment. Scott Gordon agreed to coordinate efforts to reduce traffic speed. If anyone would like to support this effort, please contact Scott.

Charles commented on the erosion of the south Jetty and the need for repair for which the cost will require federal funds. There was strong community support for Deborah to send a letter as President of CMCA to our congressional delegation expressing the support of the community for federal funding for this important repair. Members of the community can also send individual letters. Charles will repost the engineering report on the deterioration of the South Jetty on NextDoor and also the email address of our congressional delegation (Best to email, USPS mail takes many weeks to get through the screening post the anthrax incident).

6. Emergency Preparedness Committee Report

Mike expressed how amazed and humbled he is with the tremendous support of the community for the Emergency Preparedness work that the committee is doing. The Committee has authorization to spend the FEMA grant funds to purchase the building and use additional money to purchase supplies for the building. The FEMA grant funds for the building need to be spent this year. There is a request for volunteers to build the foundation for the building – tentatively set for May 22nd

2-Way radios for Map-Your-Neighborhood captains have been distributed. For others who would like to purchase their own radios to communicate with the MYN captains, Mike will write up what radios people should buy and publish on Nextdoor.

A request that people take a “selfie” in front of their house and send it to their neighborhood captain with their name for ID in an emergency

Many thanks to Kevin and Kathy Burke for organizing MYN training and training on the radios (also delicious brownies served!)

Thanks also to Pete Steen for a great workshop on “Little things you didn’t think of” in emergency planning. He will lead another workshop on foraging in August

7. General Election of Board Members

Charles Ansorge’s term on the board is up and he does not wish to stand for re-election. Charles has done a wonderful service to the community on the board and as president. Deborah made a special notice of what a voice of reason and a terrific mentor Charles has been on how to approach being a board member and board president. Everyone gave a round of applause and BIG thank you to Charles

Also we want to give a BIG thank you to Chris who left the board recently and whose term is up. Chris has been and remains an anchor in our community

There was a call for nominations for new members of the board. Rob Freedman was nominated for board membership and was approved unanimously

8. Deborah mentioned that a directory was put together so that MYN captains could contact people in their neighborhoods in event of an emergency and to contact people who are just in Cape Meares intermittently in case of an emergency with their houses. Most of this information was collected from public records. This information sheet may have been inadvertently released in the community.

There is no activity to keep the information up to date. If people would like any changes to be tracked or if new people coming into the community would like their contact info to be known for an emergency, please send your contact information to CMCA secretary, John Harland, (John.Harland3@gmail.com) and he will update the directory. This information will only be used for emergency planning or emergencies. People who want their contact information available can do this through Nextdoor

New Business

9. Several items of community interest
- a. Scott and Mary had their water turned off by someone while they were away please let it be known if anyone else has had this problem
 - b. Cape Meares is about to have its own water supply! The new treatment system is being started up and once this is in place, Coleman Creek will be our new water source
 - c. DOGARMI indicates the estimated maximum height for a Tsunami at 85ft – above this level should be safe from a major tsunami
 - d. Thanks to Kathy Burke for filling burlap bags with items for new people to the neighborhood and get them thinking about emergency planning

No further business: Deborah adjourned the meeting at 11:30

Board Members in attendance

Charles Ansorge		Anita Johanson, Treasurer
Jenny Stanley		John Harland, Secretary
Deborah Neal, President		Patti Smith
Mike Smith		

Community Members in attendance

Mike Neal	Scott Gordon
Jeff Law	Mary Gordon
Kathy Burke	Dave Freitas
Kevin Burke	Ruthie Freitas
Pete Steen	Merrie Ziady
Keith Johanson	Ruthie Ziady
Andy Ayers	Bev Stein
Jeff Law	Rob Freedman
Marjorie Hirsch	Veronica Paracchini
Jon Hirsch	
Brad Ayers	
Arla Ayers	

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