CMCA Minutes August 13, 2011

President Chris Spence called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. There was no CMCA Board meeting prior.

There was a discussion of the Netarts detour and the resultant increased traffic on Bay Ocean Road. Ann Kanyid supplied a thank-you card for Liane Welch and her staff at the Tillamook Road Dept. for the paving and improvements to the road; the card was passed for community members to sign. There were 16 community members in attendance.

The "Map your Neighborhood" meetings are scheduled and progressing, with feedback to follow at the November meeting.

Pete Steen reported on a high-tech water purification system manufactured by Berkey which is currently being used in disaster areas to purify water. It is the size of a coffeemaker, and can purify 4 gallons of water in 10 minutes, for up to 24 gallons per hour. At issue is whether community funds should be allocated to purchase one or more of these filters, and if so, where they would be stored in case of emergency. The cost including shipping is \$355.00 with an additional \$300 for a re-usable ceramic filter.

Also discussed were Costco's emergency sealed meal buckets, each containing 270 meals at a cost of \$75.00. The emergency preparedness of Cape Meares as a community and as individual households is currently under discussion.

Since the "Map your Neighborhood" meetings are progressing, it was moved and passed to discuss the feasibility of storage of shared community resources at said meetings, and continue the discussion at the November CMCA meeting. It was noted that the "Map your Neighborhood" organization is not connected nor organized by CMCA, but is an entirely separate organization.

Treasurer Dianna Moore submitted the balance sheet, reporting a balance of \$ 5,652.89 on August 12, 2011. Total expenses for the quarter were \$1,543.26. Co-Building Manager Sue Beckman reported that the silent auction held on July 4th netted \$ 1,352.00 which was enough to pay for the replacement of the leaky schoolhouse refrigerator and the new kitchen range. The energy efficient refrigerator's cost was \$620.00 and the range was \$565.00. Roby's Appliance offered a 10% discount and hauled away the old appliances. Appreciation was expressed for Sue Beckman's management of the replacements and for Chris Spence's work on the dry rot and extensive kitchen repairs. Thanks were also given to those who donated and purchased items at the silent auction.

Recent building maintenance included pruning shrubs around the schoolhouse which was done by volunteers Donna Bessire and Barbara Bennett. Jim Woodle and Chris Spence will repair dry rot on the porch, and Jim Bessire is needing volunteers for painting while there is still dry weather.

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted and will be posted on the schoolhouse bulletin board after each meeting. In a continuing effort to remind community members to view CMCA news and activities on the website, additional signage should be added at the schoolhouse. Discussion centered on how to promote use of the website when community members are accustomed to receiving e-mails, and that the Executive Board had voted to discontinue use of e-mail due to the inability to maintain a viable list on a volunteer basis.

Social Committee Chairman BJ Byron requested an allocation of funds to re-imburse Sue Beckman for paint supplies used at the 4th of July picnic, and also to fund a \$75 donation to both the Fire Dept. for their participation in the parade, and for the band that entertained at the picnic. All were voted on and approved.

BJ also requested that the Social Committee be allocated working funds of \$500 to pay for supplies at the three main community events of July 4th, Labor Day and the Christmas Holiday party as had been done in past years. This would streamline reimbursing volunteers who make the food purchases, often in small amounts which are not submitted, but which add up substantially over time . It was agreed to consider this and vote on it at the November CMCA meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Watkins, Secretary