

CMCA General Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2013

Attending: Chris Spence, Anita Johanson, Keith Johanson, Bob Garrigues, Marg Tweelinckx, Sue Beckman, Ann Kanyid, Robert Yolton, Deborah Neal, Marjorie Hirsch, Jon Hirsch, Patti Smith, Mike Smith, Don Schwindt, Laura Schwindt, Mary Gordon, Jane Spence, Scott Gordon, Merilee Sommers, Jim Woodle, Marcille Ansorge, Dave Watlkins, Rheua Watkins, Mike Neal, and Charles J. Ansorge.

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The scheduled date of the CMCA Holiday Fundraiser has been changed to Saturday, December 14. Information regarding this event will be sent to community residents in the next few days.
- Chris Spence indicated that he and his wife, Jane, have donated a coffee grinder to CMCA that may be used by residents who visit our community center that are looking for a good-tasting cup of coffee. Bring your own coffee beans to grind for your fresh brew.
- Spike and Randy Klobas have sold the residence on 8th street that is also the location where the fire engine for the community is stored. Chris Spence indicated how important it was for our community to have a location where we could store our fire engine. If the community does not have this service available home insurance rates would likely double for a typical residence.

2. VACANCIES ON CMCA BOARD

Several vacancies have existed on the CMCA Board because of several resignations. In the late spring, Robert Yolton resigned as the secretary-elect, and recently it was announced that Pasta Moore had resigned as the treasurer.

Because of these resignations there are not enough remaining members of the Board to constitute a quorum. Therefore, for business of the community to continue the vacancies need to be filled.

Several community members have volunteered to become Board members. The Board asked permission to appoint Anita Johanson as the treasurer, Merilee Sommers as treasurer-elect and Chris Spence secretary-elect instead of treasurer-elect. Because this request was not a part of the agenda for the current meeting the Board furthermore stated that formal action ratifying this request take place at the February 2014 CMCA meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Board's request to have the three board slots filled in the manner described in the previous paragraph.

Because the CMCA bylaws do not have any procedure in place to permit vacated elected Board positions to be filled, several possibilities were extensively discussed at the meeting. The Board was advised to consider this matter carefully and present a proposal at the next CMCA meeting in February 2014 to deal with the filling of vacated board positions.

3. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 2013 CMCA MINUTES

Minutes of CMCA meetings are ordinarily posted on the community center bulletin board following each meeting, posted on the CMCA web site, and sent to community members when the agenda for the upcoming quarterly CMCA meeting is distributed. It was pointed out that the minutes had not been appearing on the CMCA web site since November of 2012. There were no minutes for the February, May, and August CMCA meetings posted on the website. The secretary will ask that these minutes be posted.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the August, 2013 minutes of the Cape Meares Community Association. Motion passed.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

Newly appointed treasurer, Anita Johanson, presented the treasurer's report. She indicated that the bank balance as of August 14, 2013 was \$1,697.16. The total for expenditures since the August meeting was \$200.29, and the total for donations plus rental was \$470.10. The new balance as of November 5, 2013 was \$1,966.97.

5. SOCIAL CHAIRMAN REPORT

Deb Neal indicated that the next social event would be a Holiday Fundraiser meal followed by reveling afterward that will include a fun gift exchange. The date for this event is Saturday, December 14 with activities beginning at 5:30 PM. Reservations will be required for the elegant meal that will have a main course of roast beef, Cornish game hen, or vegetable quiche. The meal will be served by members of the Board. Specific information regarding the menu will be sent to community members in the next few days.

There will also be a New Year's Eve party that is planned for December 31 with the party beginning at 8 PM. No reservations required for this event.

The suggestion was offered that there be a silent auction for donated items. Deb is agreeable with this idea and recommended that anyone who wished to assist her with this silent auction contact her.

6. BUILDING MANAGER

Patti Smith gave the report for matters related to the community building. She indicated what events had taken place in the community building since the last meeting and asked that if there were plans to schedule any events in the future that she be contacted so this information could be put in the reservation book and also posted on the CMCA web site.

A question was asked regarding rental rates for the building. Information regarding CMCA rental rules including rates is found on the CMCA web site. Daily rental is \$30 and half-day is \$15. A suggestion was made that these rates be reviewed at an upcoming CMCA meeting.

Mention was also made of several work days when community residents volunteered their time. The first work day was to repair the drainage problem that was occurring on the north side of the community center. A drainage pipe was inserted in the ground that went to a dry well located at the west end of our property. On another work day painting was undertaken, shrubs were trimmed, and siding was caulked. Kudos to all who pitched in and volunteered their time to help accomplish all tasks. The list of volunteers included Mike Smith, Jim Woodle, Merilee Sommers, Jon Hirsch, Oli Ollikainen, Charles Ansorge, Chris Spence and Bill Thwaites. Sorry if someone else was on one of the work parties and is not mentioned here.

7. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Chris Spence updated meeting attendees regarding activities where Cape Meares residents had been involved that related to emergency preparedness. He commented on the participation of residents for the Oregon Shakeout, the donations that had been received from the Red Cross that are stored in the community building plus two other sites, our participation on the Tillamook County Citizens Corps Council, and the story that Pete Steen had written and shared with the community that related to his participation in the Oregon Shakeout. Our community continues to remain very active in the area of emergency preparedness.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- Mary Gordon addressed the meeting participants on the concerns she has regarding speeding vehicles in our community, especially in several areas where there are sharp curves as vehicles enter Cape Meares on Bayocean Road. She believes there are inconsistencies in the signage and that this should be resolved. She also asked about the possibility of reducing the speed limit further in areas that are now listed as 25 miles/hour to 15 miles/hour. It was suggested that the Board attempt to contact Liane Welch to determine if she would be willing to

attend our February meeting to discuss speed limits along the Bayocean Road leading from Highway 131, and in Cape Meares.

- Bob Garrigues, chair of the Oceanside Water District, reported on matters related to the water tank that is currently under construction and the plan to have a new water treatment plant that will be installed to draw water from Coleman Creek for our water supply. He traced some of the history of the Oceanside Water District (OWD) in the past five years and how decisions to increase water rates were instrumental in the OWD being able to receive over \$6 million in loans at a very low interest rate (1%) for the period of the loan. The funding will be used for a new storage tank and treatment plant for Cape Meares and will also be used for other much needed improvements for the Oceanside Water District. Work is progressing on the new tank and it should be operational sometime in 2014 between mid-February and March. Mr. Garrigues also indicated that a by-pass system had been installed near the current location of the Cape Meares water tank that would be available should our tank fail before the new one is available.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:51 AM.

The next CMCA General meeting will be Saturday, February 8, 2014, at 10 AM, CMCA Center.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles J. Ansorge, secretary
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