

VILLAGES AT MT. HOOD
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Notes

October 4, 2010

Chair Doug Saldivar called the October 4th meeting of the Board of Directors of the Villages at Mt. Hood to order at 4:02 pm at the Hoodland Fire District meeting room, 69634 E. Hwy 26, Welches, OR.

Attendance:

- ❖ Committee Members Present: Shirley Dueber, Bob Reeves, Doug Saldivar, George Wilson
- ❖ Excused: Pat Buckley, Pat Sharp
- ❖ Absent:
- ❖ Staff Present: Christine Roth (County Liaison), Kate Roth (Recording Secretary)

Approval of Minutes:

Approval of the September 7th minutes was delayed to the next meeting due to no quorum.

Treasurer's Report: There was no report given.

Secretary's Report:

Bob Reeves reported that the follow-ups in the minutes are a work in progress and the letters of appreciation are in progress. He also added that Judith Norval had received a plaque thanking her for service.

County Liaison Report:

Christine Roth reported that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) is campaigning, and the Board is also having fewer meetings. The BCC is also working on considering budget cuts and how to preserve services.

Doug Saldivar asked Christine Roth to explain the letter that the Villages Board received from Elissa Gertler, and Christine provided an explanation of agency, the letter, and the reminder that there are guidelines for all the organizations and to be comfortable with them. Christine Roth added that the Villages Board could always comment to the BCC on issues of concern. George Wilson said that it was not anything new and that the individuals make comments as citizens and the Board does not.

Old Business – Follow up from special Town Hall meeting:

Doug Saldivar reported that 117 people showed up the Town Hall. The vote was 116 to 6, and it was in favor of resending the letter.

Bob Reeves asked if the letter from August 9, 2009 would be sent with or without a cover letter. The Board discussed how two motions had been made at the special Town Hall, and that the consensus had been in favor of one cover letter. Doug Saldivar said he would re-send the August 9, 2009, and he would also send a short letter to the community that said that he had sent it and the cover letter/separate letter would happen later. George Wilson also presented a draft letter to the BCC that included a summary of the special Town Hall discussion and the Board's comments.

Old Business – Open Board position:

- ❖ There were no new applications.
- ❖ Bylaw change – Bob Reeves reported that the County has not yet started working on changes to the Hamlet and Villages ordinance, and Doug Saldivar suggested the Villages go ahead and start the changes.
- ❖ Doug Saldivar suggested the Villages Board consider having a short meeting to approve the bylaw change so it could go to the Town Hall.
- ❖ Bob Reeves also added as a reminder to the Board that once a change in the bylaws is submitted, and then the floor is opened up to any changes.
- ❖ Doug Saldivar said that he would prefer to not have a prolonged discussion on bylaw changes. He said one alternative could be to have every meeting as a Town Hall meeting. Christine Roth said that it would not change the quorum requirements.

Old Business – October Town Hall:

Bob Reeves reported that the Candidates forum has always featured local candidates, and that this year he received requests from other candidates, one for Congress and one for governor. He said that the two candidates for higher office would be allowed to come and give a short speech, but that there is not enough time to add more races (Congressional or gubernatorial) to the discussion. The forum will feature candidates for Clackamas County commissioner, House District 52, Senate District 26, County Treasurer, and County Clerk.

Old Business – Rhododendron CPO boundary change status: The topic was moved to the next meeting.

Old Business – Communication Plan:

Doug Saldivar said that he added the email addresses from the Special Town Hall to the list, and that the email list is growing for the newsletter. Doug also said that the Villages have a paid ad in the Mountain Times, and he explained the purpose of the ad.

Old Business – Town Hall and Cover Letter (discussion continued):

- ❖ Shirley Dueber suggested that the cover letter should be attached to the original letter, and if it is there needs to be work on information about the ballots and motions.
- ❖ Doug Saldivar suggested that at the next meeting there would be discussion on bylaw changes and the cover letter.
- ❖ George Wilson said that the letter was nothing personal, and that it was about what the community asked the Board to do. George also said that the letter is about the mood of the meeting, and that people were unhappy Christine Roth was not able to attend.
- ❖ Shirley Dueber said that she thought the information in the cover letter was in the dropped motion.

New Business – Future Elections and Rules:

George Wilson said that he had previously written recommendations, and would resend the email so that the Board could discuss the proposal at the next meeting.

Planning and Review – Action Plan Reports:

Doug Saldivar reported that the Green Scene will occur on May 14, 2011 and will include more businesses and the Hoodland Friends of the Library book sale. He also said that he is looking into the possibility of a vehicle changing station at the Rendezvous center. He also has asked the Chamber of Commerce to invite a speaker on the topic of making businesses sustainable. He also announced a photo contest sponsored by the Green Scene.

Shirley Dueber reported that she got new maps for the east side of Welches Road. She also said that she is continuing to look into pedestrian safety on Welches Road.

Bob Reeves said that the Mountain Express Line is applying for a small grant that would enable the bus to start a one-year pilot project on Saturday service.

Doug Saldivar also reported that he has heard complaints from citizens about how Bliss Sanitation is handling recycling. He is going to send a letter to Bliss asking for information about Bliss' recycling process and inviting them to a meeting.

Doug Saldivar asked the Villages Board if there was any interest in hearing a presentation about Timberline Lodge's proposed Mountain bike trail. Bob Reeves said that he thought it would be a beneficial discussion. Shirley Dueber suggested the topic be brought to a Town Hall where there is more time for discussion. Larry Berteau suggested having a discussion with several organizations invited so that both sides can be presented. Sandra Palmer added that the Oregonian has written about the proposed trails.

Community Comments:

Dave Fulton said that the Mount Hood Corridor CPO would be meeting on Thursday at seven pm. The topics will include the Bureau of Land Management's decision to add new insecticides and the proposed boundary change of the Rhododendron CPO.

Coni Scott reported that the morning's Chamber of Commerce meeting had a speaker on the art coalition and grants. The next Chamber meeting will have Cindy from Cool Printing, who will speak about the upcoming coupon book. The December Chamber of Commerce meeting will be the Christmas breakfast. Coni also listed the new Board for the Chamber of Commerce. Coni Scott also asked if Christine Roth discusses issues with her boss or administration, and she said she does, and that it was mutually agreed upon and not recommended.

❖ Doug Saldivar thanked Coni Scott for helping out at the Town Hall.

Judith Norval said that the Entertainment books are for sale.

Sandra Palmer said that she was pleased by the support from the community. She said that she was disappointed with the slow speed of getting a letter sent. Her impression of the cover letter was that it would be quick and would not need to go to a Board meeting. She said that people wanted something to happen, and that based on the large response she was finding it hard to understand the Board's response. She also wanted to know if anyone else from the County could attend a Town Hall if Christine cannot.

Adjournment: Chair Doug Saldivar adjourned the meeting at 5:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Roth
Recording Secretary