

Minutes of the Five Oaks Triple Creek NAC Meeting

Tuesday, May 10th, 7:00 PM
Elmonica School Cafeteria
16950 SW Lisa Court, Beaverton, Oregon

Board Members present

David Kamin, Dave James, Gayle Seely, Richard Pickett, Dennis Seely,
Regina Ford, and John Hooson

Attendees

Jim White, with the Beaverton Police Department, Lance Bicket, Zane Leek, Terry Taylor, and Chris Parkson of the Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue, Mike Nics, Peter Kirchner and Celia Kirchner of Golden Valley Brewery and Restaurant, Rich Bottieri and Michael Wong of the Beaverton Historical Society, and Don and Sherrell Davis,

7:05 Welcome and Introductions of NAC Officers and Board Member

7:10 **Approval of the March Minutes**, March minutes were approved.
Treasurer's Report, the balance in our NAC account is \$5,209.00.
There were no agenda additions.

7:10 - Announcements

◆ **Flicks by the Fountain** is holding the annual "Pick Your Flicks" at the Beaverton website. Persons need to vote by 5 p.m. on Friday, May 27th, 2011.
www.beavertonoregon.gov/mayor/events/flicks_fountain.aspx

◆ **Beaverton Recycling Day** is set for June 4th, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Westgate Property. Save the date! This is a volunteer effort for hard to recycle items such as old computers, TV's, cell phones, bicycles, Styrofoam, and batteries. June 4th is the date. Dave has a sign-up sheet which he will be passing around during the meeting. John Hoosen reports that the event is a lot of fun and that he recommends that we all participate.
www.beavertonoregon.gov/recyclingday

◆ **Nomination for Award for Service to City of Beaverton**. Do you know anyone who deserves recognition for the Beaverton community? Please send nominations at the city's website. Deadline for submission is Tuesday, May 31st, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. There are several categories, including individual, business, NAC member, teacher, emerging leader (under 18 years of age). There is more information at www.beavertonoregon.gov/service.

◆ **THPRD Reclassification/Renaming Project**. The THPRD is in the process of reclassifying and/or renaming the properties they own. They welcome citizen input for both. Please go to the THPRD website to review the chart of the Park District Sites Reclassification Project and to send comments. www.thprd.org

◆ **FOODBANK work project**. June 11th is date when our NAC members will have an opportunity to do volunteer work at the WestSide Foodbank. Regina brought the sign up sheet with her for us to sign for this event. Our group will be repackaging foods in a chilled room. Please dress warmly! We have about 10 persons who are interested. 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. on June the 11th.

◆ Elmonica School Work Project. Elmonica School, which has generously allowed us to have many of our NAC meetings over the year, would very much like our help in refurbishing the playground. They will be celebrating their thirtieth anniversary this coming year, and so we should arrange to set up our work party during the summer but not conflicting with the summer school. They have also asked us to spread bark dust around the playground. It was pointed out that the bark dust needs to be approvable by the school board.

A move was made that the Board investigate the timing and costs of refurbishing the playground and to report back in June. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

◆ Amber Glen Project update. In December 2009 we had a planner come from the City of Hillsboro to discuss the plan to improve Amber Glen. The plan has been approved and there will be another public open house on June 21st, at the Amber Glenn Conference Center, 1600 N W Compton, to allow the local public to become fully informed. There will also be another open house in September.

7:20 Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue (TVF&R) Report

Lance Bicket, Captain Station 61

Incidence report – from the date of April 1st through this date there have been 97 calls, most being medical since or EMS. Usually 75 to 80 percent are going to be medical even though we think of their services as the “Fire Department”.

We had an emergency drill today across all the local counties to practice evacuations and other emergency preparedness processes in order to see how we integrate with the other agencies and to see how well we perform to the outside evaluators.

Please think about and consider how YOU would respond to a crisis. It does not have to be a major earthquake, it could be a windstorm, or a major fire, or something like the transformer fire a few years ago which almost caused the downing of the Oregon power grid all the way to the border of the State of California.

This is a good time to think about and plan for an emergency. Think ahead now.

He is passing out handouts tonight regarding Managing your Utilities during a Disaster and Storing Emergency Supplies.

He also discussed taking the CERT training. One of the attendees at this meeting pointed out that she had taken the training last year and it was a real eye opener. Another attendee reported that he is a ham radio operator. Captain Bickett was happy to hear about this because the communications may be impacted by a disaster.

7:35 Beaverton Police Report

Jim White was here to report for Officer Van Cleve this evening. He has been a police officer in Beaverton for 4 years, and also lives in this NAC.

Stats are from February 2011 for our NAC.

1 rape, 1 robbery, 1 other

2 burglaries, 2 non-residential burglaries

17 thefts

1 auto theft, 2 frauds, 5 vandalisms

17 drug arrests

Most of the drug arrest events took place off of 158th between Walker and Cornell.

There is a tenant landlord forum coming up with some Attorneys from the Fair Housing matters on the first Wednesday of June at the downtown library.

Our police department has 136 or so officers and they often tend to specialize in categories, such as drug arrests and DUI's etc. Officer White believes we have a lot of drug arrests in our NAC because the officers who work in this area tend to be very good at identifying drug transactions.

John Hoosen pointed out that there is a camera on the microwave tower in the power line park near the soccer field next to Mission Oaks Drive.

Officer White shared that we have a policy in Beaverton to put pressure on gang members and make them uncomfortable. We also have a policy to notify the apartment management whenever we have to respond to a criminal complaint, thereby making the apartment managers and owners aware of tenants that have the potential to create problems. As a result we have a very low gang profile in our NAC, and in Beaverton in general.

Gangs do send representatives to do recruiting in our local communities. They send representatives up to try and create satellite units from as far away as Los Angeles.

7:50 Beaverton Committee for Citizen Involvement (BCCI) Report - Richard Pickett.

Learn more about BCCI at www.BeavertonOregon.gov/BCCI.

May 30th there will be a Memorial Day Celebration

August the 5th at Autumn Ridge Park is our NAC picnic with the Mayor visiting.

There are 4 reasons the Beaverton is looking at some Urban Renewal projects:

- Remove blight
- Attract and be a catalyst
- Generate future tax revenue
- Address de-invested areas

The maximum indebtedness that the City is considering is \$150,000,000.00 over a period of 30 years. The plan would be phased in over a period of 4 years. It will be discussed at the City Council Meeting on July 12th. It will have to go to the people for a vote before it can be implemented.

The Living Greener Neighborhood Summit had a 1000 attendees.

Randy Ealy reported that the City Staff is exploring options for new locations, and that there are 3 studies going on about the issue:

- 1.) a facilities study, already underway
- 2.) public space study – our inventory for public spaces, and
- 3.) a cultural facility here in the Beaverton area.

The Civic Plan has been adopted: There are 3 general areas of enhancement for the City:

- 1.) Water enhancements
- 2.) Street scaping on Canyon Road
- 3.) Festival Street Concept on Broadway

Visioning Project: All of the 130 items on the list from the Visioning process have a sponsor and a co-lead sponsor to help the vision item get implemented.

Joint meeting with the TVF&R and the City has been announced by Marc San Souci.

8:00 Development Presentation. Peter Kircher,

Golden Valley Brewery and Restaurant, headquartered in McMinnville, Oregon.

They are planning to open a second establishment at 1520 NW Bethany Blvd., the old Chili's building near Bethany and Cornell intersection.

Peter and his wife opened the original restaurant in McMinnville since 1993 and they grow their own beef, use organic food and emphasize fresh, local ingredients for their cuisine.

The location is between Bethany and Murray. They are taking an older building and adding to it in order to open, but plan to add additional banquet areas later when they can afford it.

Their ratio's are 25% beverage to 75% food. They are primarily a food establishment.

They will have less seating than the original tenant, Chili's, because they have a different profile for seating customers – less densely seated, and therefore more comfortable.

They have done their due diligence on demographics, even though they are now aware the Bethany Boulevard will be widened and will affect their property.

They have to go through a complete zoning change and that will require meetings, etc, which will push their open date out to October 2011. Their hours in McMinnville are 11:00 to 10:00 at night but they will tailor their hours to the community here, as they did in McMinnville. They will continue to do their brewing in McMinnville, serve their own beef and sourcing local growers. <http://www.GoldenValleyBrewery.com>

8:20 **Presentation. Richard M. Botteri**, Director, the Beaverton History Center. And **Michael Wong** is the President of the **Beaverton Historical Society**.

Michael began by sharing some of the History of Beaverton.

Beaverton has been evolving and changing on a daily basis, but even back before the large industry moved in to our area, we had a rich and interesting history.

Michael offers the date 1893: Does anyone at the meeting know what this date is important for to Beaverton? No one knew what that date is. 1893 is when the City was incorporated. Some think we are suburb of Portland, but we have been our own City since before 1893.

Another date he offers is 1868: No one knew this date either. This is the date that Beaverton was platted as a township, with several leading citizens going out to the County Seat in Hillsboro, because they needed for Beaverton to be a town in order for the railroad to make regular stops. So they established a post office, a commercial building, and then the railroad agreed to build a depot. There were a lot of farmers who lived here and they needed to get their crops into Portland in order to get them to the harbor, the port, for transport up and down the Willamette and beyond.

Another date offered is 1847: Augustus Fanno arrived, as well as Captain Lawrence Hall, and are considered the first settlers. They both came over the Oregon Trail. Also Mr. Denney settled this area and described it as a series of swampy areas interspersed with Beaver Ponds. They drained many of the ponds, using ditching, and underneath found very fertile land.

Other names that you will know are William Hawkin, Mary Ann Spencer, Peter Scholls who ran a ferry over the Tualatin River. There is also a James Murray who was based in Cedar Mill, but his little road lined up with 145th avenue, and as it connected to Mr. Murray's road, the road became Murray Boulevard. Erickson had one of the first Ford Motor dealerships. His son-in-law was Guy Carr, who later opened Carr Chevrolet.

We have evidence where the original railroad tracks were, but they have been moved. Michael described how you could find the location of the original railroad.

Richard M. Botteri, Director of the Beaverton History Center talks about the location of the History Center, which is sponsored by Jerry Hrabal and is on the downtown main street of Broadway, in the old city center of Beaverton.

They have a Quilt Show right now at the History Center, but they also have a number of other displays, especially those artifacts from the Oregon Trail shared by Judy Donovan, who is

descended from the Denney's, including the exact interior of the original barn on the Denney property.

They also put on other displays, such as the 150th anniversary of the starting of the History of the Civil War, and there is an upcoming event about the early political life of Beaverton, especially about our very unusual method of casting votes. This is likely to take place on June 14th.

The history center also has a large selection of books, including a number of old maps that we are all allowed to see and enjoy. There is also a large selection of historical photos, which are on Flickr, and there is no charge to review and to print them.

Richard is descended from the Merlo family. His grandparents operated a local hotel, and his grandmother prepared pasta, which was completely new to Beaverton. His family includes the Biggi family, which runs "*the most successful Jewish style horseradish company that is run by Italian Catholics*".

They are currently applying for grants to help them develop curricula for presentations to the local schools. They are very interested in providing school children with thorough and touchable connections to the history of their city.

David James asked how the organization was funded. Richard talked about grants, memberships, donations from the Mayor's Ball, Jerry Hrabal's sponsorship, and other donations.

Richard Pickett asked about the hours of operation: Richard said that they were open Saturday hours once a month, and also on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Another project under way is to identify the historic buildings in the City which will be identified by a plaque, initially 10 buildings, with some support from the city.

There was discussion about the Beaverton High School. The Meryl Davies section of the High School is the oldest section, and there is a time capsule in the cornerstone. There is also a time capsule near the Beaverton Bakery, on Broadway, which was put down about 50 years ago.

Membership forms are available on the website, the meetings are at exactly this time of the month, the 2nd Tuesday at 7:00, but they also have other events, which are posted on the website. <http://www.historicbeaverton.org/>.

8:50 Autumn Ridge Park and Farmers Market Day Report, by David Kamin.

He has been in contact with SOLV and they are intending to have statewide event in September, and we hope to get on their list.

Based on walking through the park, the survival seems to be very good so far. Dennis and David put in 2 very large maple trees, and it seems they are both leafing out.

At the Cinnamon Roll Booth for the Opening Day of the Farmers Market we had poor weather, very rainy, and only sold about 20% of the pop and water that we planned to sell. We made about \$140.00 net in spite of low sales.

There was a rousing discussion about whether this is a profitable fund raiser or if we should select another venue or perhaps other products.

Regina and Gayle decided to meet with Highland NAC and discuss offering a product that is more healthy than just the pastries and pop.

For more information or if you would like to volunteer please call or email David Kamin at 503-291-5715 or davidk@johnlscott.com.

9:00 Adjourn