

Minutes to be reviewed and approved at the 5/23/2011 BCCI Meeting.

**Beaverton Committee for Citizen Involvement (BCCI)
April 25, 2011**

Board Members:

Ray Bowman, At Large, Chair
Jim Persey, Greenway
Terry Lawler, West Slope, Treasurer
Amanda Tahayori, West Beaverton
Franziska Edwards, At Large
Kent Robinson, Alternate
Linda Kimble, Vose-Alternate
Bill Berg, At Large
Carleen Prentice, At Large
Richard Pickett, Five Oaks/Triple Creek

Rhonda Coakley, Sexton Mountain
Henry Kane, Vose
Ramona Crocker, At Large
Yamini Naidu, Alternate
David Harrison, At Large
Sharon Dunham, At Large
Kristen Bea, At Large
Ali Kavarianian, South Beaverton

City Council: Marc San Soucie

City Staff: Randy Ealy, Lani Parr, Don Mazziotti

Guest: Anita Higgins, Lisa Leithauser

The meeting was called to order by Ray Bowman, Chair, at 7:01PM

Mr. Bowman welcomed everyone to the BCCI Meeting after which the customary personal introductions were made by everyone in attendance.

Review and Approve Minutes from the Previous Meeting

Ray noted that on the section to review and approved the minutes from the previous meeting there was no mention that Franziska Edwards had volunteered to be the permanent recorder; the other individuals who had signed up will be her alternate. Also, Jim Percy noted in the Land Use Subcommittee paragraph, the last sentence needs to be changed from "land use legislation" to "current land use appeals to LUBA." It makes mention that the application is in process for an 88,00 square foot warehouse when it fact it is actually two soccer fields. Other adjustments were also noted. With these adjustments to the minutes, a **motion** was made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the minutes as amended from the April 25, 2011 BCCI Meeting

Treasurer's Report

Terry Lawler, Treasurer, informed the Board that she is on a mission to get us a better deal with a different bank. Ms. Lawler went into detail about her meeting with Rivermark. They recommended a business account for our group. In order to do that we would need to have a tax ID number, have our "association's resolution" or most recent meeting minutes, and have two or more officers have their name associated with the account as well as their SSN and their signature cards. There would be charges for the checks and there is also a \$10.00 minimum to open an account. Ms Lawler and David

Harrison volunteered to be the designated individuals. A **motion** was made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the Treasurer's Report.

SOS Oregon – Propose State Bill to Regulate

Lisa Leithauser, an Adult Entertainment Businesses representative, gave a presentation to the BCCI to explain what is going on with the adult entertainment industry in the city of Beaverton. Their mission is to regulate these businesses and inform the community of the deterioration of their neighborhoods. Currently their coalition is going after adult businesses located mainly on Canyon Blvd due to several issues with surrounding neighborhoods and businesses. She explained that several individuals have left the area because of the issues with these establishments. Ms. Leithauser and her group went and talked to the businesses owners about taking down illegal signs, hiring security for their parking lots, etc but were met with resistance. They are working with the county to support code enforcement and to fine when there are violations of it.

On the first Friday of every month the coalition supports a stand at a selected establishment to inform people of what these businesses are all about and invited all to attend.

National League of Cities Conference

Yamini Naidu attended the National League of Cities conference with the mayor and other students last month. Ms. Naidu explained that she attended several sessions, including one addressing homelessness and spoke about what Beaverton is doing to address this issue.

Ms. Naidu also discussed the upcoming Youth Involvement Fair hosted by the Mayor's Youth Advisory Board and asked if the BCCI would like to be a part of the event to encourage youth involvement in the community. The event is Saturday May 21st from 1:00pm – 3:00pm. Lani Parr, Neighborhood Program, said she would provide materials from the city to display. Ray Bowman, Chair, asked that if anyone has any interest to talk to her after the meeting.

Update on Urban Renewal

Don Mazziotti, Community Development Director, presented the Board with a slideshow to explain the basics of Urban Renewal and how it works. He showed the BCCI a map of a 980 square mile area by 217 including Cedar Hills that goes to Murray at the far west where there are considerable amounts of underdeveloped land where the focus of urban renewal will be.

Regarding the role of Planning Commission and City Council, he said the public hearing regarding the findings with the comprehensive plan will take place June 1st, it will be referred to City Council for a public hearing beginning on July 12th, with the City Council resolution adoption anticipated to take place July 19th. If the vote is positive the Beaverton Urban Renewal Agency (BURA) board would officially come into existence to implement the Urban Renewal plan.

Board Member Kent Robinson requested to have a copy of the PowerPoint presentation. Lani Parr, Neighborhood program said she would email it out to the Board Members.

As for when the Urban Renewal document itself will be publically available, Mr. Mazziotti said on May 16th it will be available for viewing, then it will be reviewed on May 23rd and then proposed to be adopted on June 27th. All information is available online to the general public.

City Report

Randy Ealy discussed his new role of Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Beaverton. He informed the board that he is currently coordinating several balls in the air between the ongoing faculty study and several grassroots committees that are underway.

He explained that Don Mazziotti is working with the Chief of Police and the Public Safety Advisory Committee about financing and architectural programming for new facility spaces. There are several volunteers currently studying facility options for the Beaverton police force while multicultural groups are researching multicultural opportunities. Mr. Ealy said he wants their recommendations by June to be able to assess the options since there are currently a lot of different issues regarding facility space. He is looking at something down the road around May of 2012.

Mr. Ealy informed the Board that the Civic Plan has come back with its reports. There are three key areas Mayor Denny Doyle and City Council are looking at: doing water enhancements around the downtown corridor along the Beaverton Round, street-scaping on Canyon Blvd, as well as a festival street idea on Broadway Street.

Finally, Mr. Ealy noted that meetings to review the Internal Budget of the City Budget for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 are coming up at end of May. They will be looking at key areas, including the building fund, water fund, the millage rate including exploring options for millage and ways to reduce it.

City Council Report

Councilor San Soucie stated that currently City Council is looking at how some of these Civic Plan action items can be implemented, but are currently focused more on budget planning.

On tomorrow evening's City Council agenda is a joint meeting with Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District (THPRD) agents to discuss urban renewal and infrastructure matters (water, pipes, sprinkler system, etc). There will also be a presentation from the fire department on fire stations and deployment matters.

May 3rd will be a regularly scheduled Council meeting. They will have a public hearing on an ordinance for use of public city property. Mr. San Soucie said the regulations city Council is proposing should come off as perfectly reasonable. He also expressed that if any Board Members have comments to please send them in or attend the meeting. No adoption of the ordinance has been scheduled yet.

On May 10th there will be a joint meeting with Beaverton School District Board.

Wednesday May 18th there is an event at Beaverton City Library celebrating Beaverton Community Visioning partners, either lead or support partners, of Visioning action items. It features a video of City Councilors and other individuals who are involved with the Community Visioning project. The event starts at 5:30pm.

The Budgeting Committee will begin meeting at the end of May. He encouraged feedback from the Committee members at these meetings. Board Member Bill Berg asked Councilor San Soucie if the City anticipates a large increase in revenue. Mr. San Soucie said they do not. He said their objective is to keep tax rate at same rate or lower than last year. He also informed the Board that by state law City Council will not see the budget before public sees it. The Internal Budget of the City for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 is being printed May 9th. The first Budget Committee meeting is May 26th.

Updates from the Subcommittees/Working Groups.

Land Use Subcommittee

Jim Persey, Land Use Subcommittee Chair informed the Board that the three House Bills that would affect Oregon land use laws died in committee.

He went on to say that one new text amendment goes before the Planning Commission on May 18th; the city is proposing to update the Beaverton Comprehensive Plan to include the "Beaverton Facilities Plan of 2010." Mr. Percy explained this came about due state law changes and it allows schools to be used a criteria for 'critical services.' Mr. Percy said that he hasn't seen the report yet but that the committee will review it when it becomes available.

Mr. Persey lead a discussion regarding the Portland Timbers Training Facility application. There is currently contention regarding the application being classified as a "Type 2." He explained that a Type 2 application means that the proposed party submitted an application which met all the design standards and as such does not need to go before the Planning Commission. He also said that the subcommittee feels that the code is the way it is and it is not something they are concerned about. Board Member Henry Kane responded saying that a Type 2 classification is meant for minor applications and expressed his concern that with this classification community members do not have the opportunity to offer oral testimony at a hearing.

Neighborhood Involvement Subcommittee

Sharon Dunham, Chair of the Neighborhood Involvement Subcommittee, shared how she attended the Neighborhood Association Committees (NACs) Quarterly Leadership Meeting where she discussed the Neighborhood Association Committees (NACs) survey. At this point the draft of the survey has not been adopted, but she encouraged all interested members to attend the meeting tomorrow night for further discussion and revisions. She asked that everyone attending come prepared to discuss the banner/introduction at the top of the survey draft as well as discuss the survey questions themselves.

Ms. Dunham informed the Board that there was an interesting discussion regarding the issue of renaming and rebranding the Neighborhood Association Committees (NACs) name and image. There have been a lot of suggestions that are currently being compiled to be part of a survey she would like to distribute to the Board Members.

Sharon handed out an overview on the happenings of the committee activities. Ray Bowman, Chair, suggested that any other suggestions be emailed to Sharon.

New Initiatives Subcommittee

Franziska Edwards, Chair of the New Initiatives Subcommittee, said there is currently nothing to report as the group was unable to meet this month. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled for Thursday May 19th.

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

1. Recap of Neighborhood Summit (Saturday, April 9th)

Lani Parr, Neighborhood Office, discussed the success of the event with the Board. The count for the day was around 1,000 participants. Vendors ran out of bags early in the morning which was a good indication of increased turnout. The Neighborhood Office received 110 surveys from participants. They are currently working on providing summaries for the responses. Lani did state that there was an overwhelming positive response along with great constructive criticism on ways to improve on for next year.

2. Recycling Day (Saturday, June 4th)

Lani Parr, Neighborhood Office, expressed the need for more volunteers from the Neighborhood Association Committees (NACs) meetings. They can take volunteers as young as 16 with parental consent. The Neighborhood Office will be designing a postcard to go to the Neighborhood Association Committees (NACs) mailing list which is approximately 3,500 people. Those should hit Beaverton mailboxes by the second week of May.

Lani said it will be run similarly to last year's event. The event will take place at the Westgate Theater site with the same time slots available as before. Lani said she will get an email out to the Board Members with all of the details. Board Member Jim Persey recommended to have more clear explanations for the participants as to what is recyclable and how to recycle hazardous materials. Lani requested that any other recommendations be emailed to her.

Issues, Concerns, Opportunities & Needs of the NACs

Lani Parr has requested Chair Ray Bowman to serve on the Service to Beaverton Committee. Mr. Bowman inquired if any member would be willing to serve on it in place of him. Board Member Ali Kaviani volunteered to be on the committee.

Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District (THPRD) sent Chair Ray Bowman a mailing regarding renaming several projects. Ray Bowman said he will give the document to Lani Parr, Neighborhood Office, to be disseminated to the rest of the Board. There is an opportunity to provide input via email.

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On May 23rd the City is hosting a free media training event at City Hall for all BCCI Members and Neighborhood Association Committees (NACs) leaders to attend. The event runs from 5:30pm – 6:30pm and will look at how to handle the media and how to answer press questions.

If anyone would like business cards as a BCCI member, Lani Parr, Neighborhood Office, said to contact her directly.

Board Member Linda Kimble commented that they are working very hard in her Vose NAC to attract local business and asked the Board for suggestions. Councilor Marc San Soucie mentioned that the Sexton Mountain NAC has been successful and to talk to Board Member Rhonda Coakley for further help.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05PM.

Minutes prepared by Franziska Edwards.