

Minutes to be reviewed and approved at the 10/17/2011 BCCI Meeting.

**Beaverton Committee for Citizen Involvement (BCCI)
September 26, 2011**

Board Members:

Ray Bowman, At Large, Chair

Jim Persey, Greenway

Terry Lawler, West Slope, Treasurer

Melissa Riley, Central Beaverton

Carleen Prentice, At Large

Bill Berg, At Large

Bill Wood, West Beaverton

David Harrison, At Large, Vice-Chair

Henry Kane, Vose

Ramona Crocker, At Large

Kristen Bea, At Large

Yamini Naidu, At Large

Linda Kimble, At Large

Richard Pickett, Five Oaks/Triple Creek

City Council: Marc San Soucie

City Staff: Randy Ealy and Lani Parr

Guest: Margi Hoffman, Senior V.P., Strategies 360 and Pavel Goberman

The meeting was called to order by Ray Bowman, Chair, at 6:59PM

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

Review and Approve Minutes from the Previous Two Meetings

The decision was made at the August 22, 2011 BCCI Meeting to review and approve the minutes, from the July 25, 2011 Meeting, during the September 26, 2011 BCCI Meeting. After reviewing the minutes, a **motion** was made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the July 25, 2011 minutes as written.

Several corrections were identified for the August 22, 2011 Meeting Minutes. On page one: David Harrison, Linda Kimble, and Ramona Crocker should be listed as At Large Members. Also on page one: Ms. Bea's first name is Kristen with an "e". On page two: The third sentence should read, "Another issue mentioned was being able to limit the number of years for the position of Treasurer." On page three: The first sentence of the second paragraph should read, "Sharon Dunham, subcommittee chair, informed the BCCI that fifteen BCCI Members had completed the preliminary survey." Also on page three, the first sentence in the fifth paragraph should read, "City of Beaverton is hosting the Neighborhood Urban Renewal Forums from 6:30-8:00p.m. on September 8, 14, and 22nd." With these adjustments to the minutes, a **motion** was made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the minutes as amended from the August 22, 2011 BCCI Meeting.

After requesting someone to volunteer to record the minutes in October, Board Member Kristen Bea volunteered to serve as the Recorder for the October 17, 2011 BCCI Meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Terry Lawler, Treasurer, informed the Board that as of 8/31/2011, the current balance in the BCCI bank account stands at \$5.00 for Business Shares and \$1669.27 in the General Checking Account. Ms. Lawler also mentioned that new checks have arrived and that there may be a \$16.00 charge for the printing of the checks. The Board accepted the Treasurer's Report.

Point of Privilege Requested by the BCCI Chair

Ray Bowman, introduced Pavel Goberman to the Board and allowed Mr. Goberman a few minutes to address the meeting attendees. Mr. Goberman is a candidate for United States Representative from the 1st Congressional District of Oregon. After sharing information regarding his qualifications and his interest in the elected position, Mr. Goberman thanked everyone for allowing him the opportunity to speak and then excused himself from the meeting. Additional information is available at www.getenergized.com/vote.html

Legislative Update

Margi Hoffman, Senior VP, Director of Oregon Operations, Strategies 360, distributed to each Board Member a final draft of the City of Beaverton 2011 Legislative Report. The 23-page report was prepared for the City of Beaverton, Mayor Doyle and Members of City Council. Strategies 360, was hired by the City as its lobbyist in Salem to ensure that the City of Beaverton has a seat at the table whenever decisions are made in Salem. The Report is an overview of events from the 76th Legislative Session that opened on January 10, 2011 and ended on June 30, 2011.

According to Ms. Hoffman the hottest priorities were; State Money for Transportation, Economic Development Issues, Sustainability Initiatives, and Public Safety. The Oregon House is divided equally between Democrats and Republicans and in the Oregon Senate the Democrats hold one more seat than Republicans. Given the political makeup of both the Oregon House and Senate, Ms. Hoffman stated that she was impressed how well the Members worked together during the session.

Ms. Hoffman fielded questions from Board Members regarding the Final Draft. The questions ranged from the nature of discussions on HB 3233 and the process employed for acquiring public input during the establishing of the Legislative priorities for the City of Beaverton. Ms. Hoffman stated that Beaverton's State Legislative Lobbying activities are relatively new and as a result the process for establishing priorities is still being developed.

City Report

Randy Ealy, Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Beaverton, informed the Board of the merger of Community and Economic Development (CEDD) and the Sustainability Program will be moved within the newly merged Department. Mr. Ealy also stated that the Beaverton Community Vision remains a high-priority for Mayor Doyle.

Other major activities being worked on that are currently requiring the time and resources of City employees include: the Urban Growth Boundary, BURA, contracts for SEIU/BPA, discussions relating to the future of the Sisters Cities Program, the 2012 State Legislative Agenda and the City's space needs analysis.

City Council Report

(Councilor San Soucie was a major contributor to this section.)

Councilor San Soucie elaborated on the Sisters Cities Program following a question from Board Member Yamini Naidu. Ms. Naidu inquired if future Sister City visitors will be staying with local residents. Councilor San Soucie commented that there exists some disagreement among City Council Members as to the value of the program to the City as well as some ongoing discussions as to what the program might look like going forward.

The City Council, working with the Mayor, officially hired Bill Kirby as the City Attorney, replacing Alan Rappleyea who left for the County Counsel position. Mr. Kirby has worked in the city attorney's office for 27 years, and is a Beaverton resident. We had a number of very qualified internal and external candidates, but none exceeded Mr. Kirby's experience and perspective on the legal affairs of the city. Bill Scheiderich, the interim City Attorney, is continuing to work in the office, and we appreciate that!

Some of the Councilors will be attending the League of Oregon Cities conference in Bend this weekend. This is an excellent forum for the exchange of ideas between city elected leaders and staff. Each year many interesting opportunities emerge that we consider in planning future work for Beaverton. This year Councilors Arnold, King, and Stanton will attend.

Our next Council meeting is October 4. There will be a presentation on Beaverton's CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) program, a federal program that brings useful monies to Beaverton for programs that largely support small business and low-income residents. There will be a resolution to consider in support of a grant application for over \$2M in state funds for a trail project in central Beaverton. And there will be a discussion about the Sister Cities program. There is some disagreement on the Council as to the merits and appropriate level of staffing and funding for the Sister Cities program, and this discussion could lead to some suggestions for changes or improvements to the program.

While investigating the opportunity to put solar panels on the library roof - a great idea that will pay off for the city in the medium term - staff learned that the roof itself needs repair. On October 4 the Council will be awarding a contract to repair the roof.

At the October 25 meeting the Council will hear a presentation on the work of the Mayor's Diversity Task Force, and the city's ethnic diversity outreach efforts.

Updates from the Subcommittees/Working Groups

Land Use/Bylaw Amendments

Jim Persey, Land Use Subcommittee Chair, provided the First Reading regarding the proposed changes to the BCCI Bylaws. The changes require a 2/3 majority approval of BCCI Board Members to be adopted.

The changes will affect the status of Alternate Board Members, Distribution of BCCI Bank Statements and Effective Terms for the Treasurer and the Recorder Positions. Voting on the changes to the Bylaws will occur at the BCCI Meeting on October 17, 2011.

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Mr. Persey informed the Board that there are no current Land Use issues or Text Amendments that need to be discussed.

Mr. Bowman stated that the Oregon Department of Transportation plans in May of 2012 to replace the bridge on Scholls Ferry South of Alan Bld. Over Fanno Creek. The work will take approximately one year to complete. Mr. Bowman also requested that Mr. Persey provide information regarding the proposed replacement of Fanno Creek Trail Crossing improvements at Hall Boulevard at the October 17th, 2011 BCCI Meeting. Board Member Henry Kane also offered to provide information about this project.

Neighborhood Involvement Subcommittee

Sharon Dunham, Chair of the Neighborhood Involvement Subcommittee was unable to attend the Board Meeting but will plan to offer an update at the October 17, 2011 Meeting of the BCCI Board.

New Initiatives Subcommittee

Board Member Bill Berg has volunteered to serve as the Chair of the New Initiatives Subcommittee. Mr. Berg stated that his main focus will be on determining how the BCCI will remain engaged in the Visioning Process and fulfill the commitments that the BCCI has made to the Process. Other future topics will include: a discussion on the subcommittee's Survey and the Urban Poultry Forum.

Updates on Events and Opportunities

Mr. Bowman informed the Board that after considering the invitation, from the Valley Catholic School to host the Living Greener Summit in 2012, the decision was made to keep the Summit at the Beaverton Central Library. The committee studying possible sites for the Living Greener Summit conducted a visit to the Valley Catholic School. Site Committee Members were impressed with the School and its commitment to sustainability but felt that the Library would continue to benefit from the visibility afforded by the Summit. A thank you letter was sent by BCCI Chair Ray Bowman to Sister Rose Delores of Valley Catholic School.

The Beaverton Chamber of Commerce has offered to co-sponsor the Fall Voters Forum. The Forum Subcommittee will be meeting soon to draft questions for the candidates as well as to discuss the order of the candidate appearances. Volunteers are still needed for the event.

Lani Parr, Neighborhood Program, stated that 180-190 residents attended the Neighborhood Urban Renewal Forums. A number of BCCI Board Members who attended one or more of the Forums shared their compliments on how well the Forums were conducted and attended. The survey results from the Forums will be compiled and distributed.

The Chair of the Nominating Committee for BCCI Officers for 2012 will be Mr. Persey. Other Committee Members include: Carleen Prentice and Richard Pickett.

The meeting adjourned at 8:49PM.

Minutes prepared by Richard Pickett and City Councilor Marc San Soucie.