

BEAVERTON COMMITTEE ON AGING

Tuesday, March 9, 2020 (3:00 - 4:30 p.m.)

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance :

Carley Adams, Laura Gazarian, Martha McJacobs, Allison Tivnon, Jing Feng, Suzan Turley, John Ratliff, Alexis Steele, Jamie Levin, Beverly Sali, Sunita Garg, Neel Jain, Jing Feng,

Absent: Sophie McDuffey, Lou Weisberg, Misty Long, Suzanne VanSlyke

Guests: Paul Zulak, Ramona Crocker, Kris Oliveira

Meeting called to order at 3:01pm by Martha McJacobs

3:00 – 3:05 – Welcome

3:05 – 3:10 – Visitor Comment Period : None

3:10 – 3:15 – Review and Approval of February Minutes

Minutes for the 9th: Corrections: add Laura to attendance for the 9th: moved by Susan; John seconded, All voted – approved.

Minutes for 22nd : Corrections: Kris asked for changes: 3rd page: info by members, grass roots: Positive Charge Pdx, and Jewish Family and Child Services; Last page: next steps – she testified at Oregon House Healthcare Subcommittee on Covid

John: grass roots correction – he sent a link, , Carley will update the link

Motion to approved by John; Bev seconded; all voted – approved.

4:20 – 4:25 – *City Council update, Allison Tivnon : MOVED to right after minutes because she has to leave early. Tune in tonight to the meeting, will post later tonight. Retreat: tabling priorities until after city manager in place. Meeting will likely go late, last one was 10:45; this will likely go later. Council members bringing their items of concerns, will be a big and deep conversation r: the rest of the year. Council updates after this will be tied to those priorities list. Hopefully there will be a cohesive list by next month's BCOA. She shared screen to show how to get to the link for the meetings.*

3:15 – 3:50 – Updates by members re: COVID

Meeting last month re: queries, resources

- Follow -up from special meeting
- Questions re: finding seniors who don't have technology
Any ideas??

Bev: added everyone is on this topic. OHA, the county, etc. Updates sent re: what they are doing and the state has redesigned how the aging population can access. Walgreens is giving vaccines locally. She heard about one state (NC?) sending out people/door knockers into identified communities, forms & introductions; connecting them to someone. Perhaps the youth (group) could do this? Also vans with staff to give in-home vaccines. Viva Village may have a reasonable list of services rec'd for people to get reach out to for vaccines.

Kris: House meeting update: on 2/22 she spoke RE: postcard mailer to the homes, AARP was at meeting

and said mailed 165K postcards. Suggests city of Beaverton to send out the mailer. People not on the internet need the info; could they access the DMV records for age?

Also asked for increase of 211 capacity. It is happening, but not to her liking. But it is being doubled. Also on the 24th meeting, legislatures concerned about the digital divide, so questioned Pat Allen; his response 'pinch points' of everyone accessing at the same time, nothing can be done at this time. She wrote them a letter about reducing pinch points by setting up lottery. Then OHA announced they were doing a lottery system. Feels best way is the mailer. She doesn't like that the pharmacy's that are doing vaccines don't have a phone system. She thinks it is inequitable.

Bev: 211 not taking calls now because they are doing the call backs/schedules. But systems are overworked. Along with cards, why not send something out with the utility bills?

Suzan: also others that are homebound, with disabilities. Any outreach to established religious communities? They would likely know who in their area may be homebound.

John: with pharmacies online, there is a processing of who has and who has not received the vaccination. Is it possible that someone can access that list – and see who has/has not?

Bev & Martha: that is private information between you and the vaccine giver.

Kris is going to ask ohs to add a community link so people can see what is going on in other locations. She will send a link for meeting – and will send her request at that meeting.

Alexis: Ask a Librarian service, often called by elderly. What about partnering with the library to assist with the information dissemination?

TO DO: Alexis will ask about the library

3:50 – 4:10 – Discussion: (led by staff liaison Carley) Board function / purpose during COVID / Research on similar boards – what are they doing/researching?

The BCOA is by ourself; no city department on aging. No direct service for aging or older adults. What we may ask can get dispersed to other departments. Since goal setting retreat was postponed, we haven't had real tasks this year yet. Would we like to do a little digging into what other areas are doing to create some projects for us this year. Who might be interested in doing this?

Paul is interested.

Bev is interested. She recalls a large report from a little while ago that may have some info?

Sunita is interested and will check with people she knows.

Suzan will check into as well.

John will check out THPRD

Carley will continue to invite people to BCOA that may be of interest and add to the conversation. Martha suggested periodically attending other committee meetings (like housing) to get ideas what others are doing.

- What are other cities/counties in the greater Portland area doing to better serve their senior population: Tigard/Tualatin; Hillsboro, LO, Portland, Gresham (or others?)
- How can we work collaboratively with any city that has programs that serve our senior population to create/upgrade how and what we already provide.
- How can we work collaboratively with the other Beaverton boards/committees to more effectively serve our seniors?

Neel Jain: Mayors youth group: all doing well; Baasil sends greetings. For his PDX concierge service: still operating. Free grocery delivery for seniors. All going well.

Events:

National Day of the Older Adult 10/1. Carley offered to do a proclamation.
Carol Anderson is coming to library on 3/20 to speak. Will be free.

Death café are still operating.

3/16 Jeanette is doing presentation on Tuesday 10- 11:45.

Martha doing a series of events through Viva Vvillage.

4:10 – 4:20 – Election of Officers: for all offices every year.

Nomination: Recorder

Martha: nominates Sunita : Approved

Nomination: Vice Chair

Sophie is willing to continue as VC: Approved

Nomination: Chair

Martha self-nominated: Approved.

4:25 – 4:30 – Staff Liaison Report, Carley Adams

Mayor: State of the City report, recorded; also a transcript available.

May 18: special election to fill vacant council position. We may get visitors who are running.

End of April: voters forum. Per Martha

Public Safety Center: naming contest for plaza; vote in June.

City manager recruitment for long term (current goes through June)

Carley: Do you want her to keep sending everyone the emails vaccines available, etc? If you want to opt out, send her an email.

JOHN: special trainings for chairs, vice chairs, etc. came out in an email.

Ramona: voters forum date is Thursday April 29.

Adjourned at 4:11 John moved, Sunita 2nd. Approved.

[March News \(staff liaison full message\)](#)

State of the City. Mayor Lacey Beaty shares Beaverton's recent accomplishments and upcoming plans during her first State of the City address.

- The virtual event will premiere live Thursday, March 4 at 10 a.m. via the city's [YouTube](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) accounts.

- A video of the event also will be accessible online at www.BeavertonOregon.gov/SOTC with a transcript of recorded remarks.
- This year's event will feature comments by Mayor Beaty to share city happenings in 2020 and upcoming opportunities for 2021, as well as unique perspectives from business leaders, community partners and more.
- Major topics include Beaverton's response to COVID-19, ongoing recovery efforts, homelessness, housing, and public safety.

May Special Election. A special election to fill the vacant City Council Position 1 will be held May 18, 2021. This position is elected at-large to fill a partial term that expires December 31, 2022.

- The filing deadline is Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 5 p.m.
- Learn more: www.BeavertonOregon.gov/Elections

Public Safety Center Plaza Naming. The community is invited to submit their naming suggestions for the recently completed outdoor public plaza at Beaverton's Public Safety Center.

- The deadline for submissions is Wednesday, March 31.
- Visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/PSCPlaza to submit suggestions or call 503-526-2543.
- Any suggestion is welcome and can include a Beaverton resident (deceased or living), tribal name, or general suggestion. A detailed explanation to give context for consideration is requested.
- A committee of volunteers will review the public submissions and make a selection of 3-5 names for City Council consideration in June.
- An unveiling event will be held in August (either virtual, in-person, or a combination of both) to celebrate the name selection and recently completed installation of public art sculptures in the plaza.

City Manager Recruitment. The recruitment for a long term City Manager is underway. This position will serve as the city's administrative head and report to City Council on the daily operation of city services and programs.

- Up-to-date information on the recruitment process and next steps will be available at www.BeavertonOregon.gov/citymanager.
- A community survey is expected to launch in March that will gather public input on key city initiatives and desired qualities to guide hiring.
- Appointment is expected to occur in summer followed by early onboarding.