Pacific City/Woods Citizen Advisory Committee (PC/W CAC)

Minutes of the PC/W CAC Meeting on September 16, 2013, 6:30 pm Kiawanda Community Center, 34600 Cape Kiwanda Drive Pacific City, Oregon FINAL VERSION -- 10-19-13

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.

1. Self-introductions – <u>lelean Rouse</u> – Chair

Officers and attendees introduced themselves. Fifteen people attended this meeting, including: Ielean Rouse – Chair; David Yamamoto – Past-chair; Sean Carlton – Chair-elect, Roy Hansen - Treasurer, and Bud Miller – Secretary.

2. Ratification of Chair and Past-chair Offices – <u>David Yamamoto</u> – Past-chair – At last month's meeting, following the process required in the CAC By-laws to fill a vacant position, the executive board appointed lelean Rouse to fill the position of Chair for the 2013/14 year, and David Yamamoto to serve as Past-chair for the same period. The rest of the procedure is to seek ratification of these appointments at the next (this) meeting. After a brief discussion, the following motion was made and seconded:

"The PC/W CAC members ratify the Executive Board appointments of lelean Rouse as Chair and David Yamamoto as Past-chair."

There was a vote by a show of hands of CAC members, with the result of 11 in favor of adopting the motion, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

- 3. **Minutes of the PC/W CAC Meeting on August 16, 2013 <u>Bud Miller</u> Secretary –**No changes or additions were offered, and the minutes were accepted by a unanimous voice vote of the members present. Mr. Miller also noted that the final version of the revised Mission Statement and By-laws is now complete and <u>copies</u> will be transmitted to all members with the draft of the notes from today's meeting. A copy of our 2012/13 Accomplishments will also be sent out.
- 4. Treasurer's Report Roy Hansen Treasurer -- The current balance on hand in our account is \$213.96. The Treasurer's report was accepted by a unanimous voice vote of the members present. Ielean Rouse announced a donation of \$25.00 to the CAC account from the proceeds from the sale of donuts at the August meeting. To fulfill the requirements of our bank, a motion was made by one of the Executive Board members as follows and seconded:

"The following are authorized to sign checks for the PC/W CAC bank account - Roy Hansen (Treasurer) and Ielean Rouse (Chair). Furthermore, the name of the account will be changed to Pacific City/Woods Citizen Advisory Committee to reflect the new name of our organization."

The motion was adopted by a show of hands vote by the Executive Board, with 5 in favor, 0 against, and no abstentions. This will be official once these notes are approved at the October meeting.

 Guest Speaker – <u>Patrick Wingard</u>, North Coast Regional Representative, Ocean and Coastal Services, DLCD – Understanding Land Use Planning on the Oregon Coast/Part 1 – Mr. Wingard presented Chapter 5 of an on-line set of training programs covering The Oregon Coastal Management Program, along with discussion of other, related details of this Land Use Planning training. In addition, he explained the operation of the overall Oregon Coastal Management Program, which operated under the Oregon Department of Land Conservation & Development. Mr. Wingard will return to our November and December meetings to cover other Chapters of the training materials. The entire set of training Chapters can be viewed at www.oregonlandusetraining.info.

More information about the Oregon Coastal Management Program can be found at www.oregon.gov/LCD/OCMP.

6. Committee Reports -

- a. Land Use Committee <u>Sean Carlton</u> There have been no new actions by the Department of Community Development (DCD) in the last month. Anyone interested in serving on this committee please contact Sean at sean@basketcasewine.com. Ielean Rouse reported that Brad Sheets has left the DCD. An attendee commented that a planner has been hired for the new position created this summer, and he should begin work in a month or two. It was also mentioned that the DCD webpage now states "Planning Services will be available between hours of 8 AM & NOON only beginning September 1, 2013." No explanation is given for this change.
- b. Community Plan Review Committee <u>lelean Rouse</u> lelean and Gloria Scullin plan to meet with John Boyd, DCD Director on October 15 to go over the new Community Plan draft. Once he has commented on it, the Plan will be presented to the CAC members.
- c. **Lighting Committee <u>lelean Rouse</u> –** Members still include lelean, Beverly Fisher, Jeanette Miller, & Robyn Lampa. We are looking for one more member, and anyone interested should contact Ms. Rouse.

7. Old Business -

- a. LCDC/OPAC/Territorial Sea Plan Amendment <u>David Yamamoto</u> The approved amendment has still not been filed with the Secretary of State. LCDC staff Patty Snow has stated the hang-up is in the Justice Department, but that department says the problem is with the LCDC. Ms. Snow indicated that the approved Part 5 will be sent to the Secretary of State before the Ocean Policy Advisory Committee meeting on October 3, 2013.
- b. Accessory Dwelling Units No one is aware of anything new on this ordinance.
- c. NVCA Gloria Scullin They have finalized the wording of their license and lease, which are now being reviewed by the bank before being approved. At a meeting on September 12, 2013, Paul Levesque, Tillamook County Chief of Staff, presented a proposal to combine several federal and county land parcels near Cape Kiwanda into a recreational park. Attendees included land manager representatives, the NVCA, and several members of the public. PCJWSA expressed concern that such an effort could delay their efforts to complete the process of securing a Recreation and Public Purposes Lease on a 70+ acre BLM parcel which is needed for expansion of water treatment facilities, but several land management representatives including Mr. Levesque said this would not stall the

- efforts. There were a variety of other concerns raised, including increased traffic congestion in the area of Cape Kiwanda parking lot and on the beach. There was no resolution to this proposal expanded park proposal at the September 12 meeting. A question was raised whether this sort of thing is addressed in the Pacific City/Woods Community Plan or Transportation Plan, but there was no answer at this time.
- d. **USFWS Additional Land to Nestucca Bay Refuge <u>lelean Rouse</u> On September 9, shortly after our August meeting, which featured Rebecca Chuck, USFWS, as our speaker, it was announced that land known as the Jesuit Property has been acquired and will be added to the Nestucca Bay Refuge.** These 102.5 acres is in addition to another 90 acre parcel acquired in May 2013.
- e. Discussion: Meeting Monday Evenings vs. Saturday Mornings Ielean Rouse This question was raised at the August PC/W CAC meeting, and Ms. Rouse lead a discussion of the members present on the pros and cons of making any changes at this time. The principal issue was whether to change the Saturday morning meetings to Monday evenings. It was stated that the meetings on Saturday are inconvenient for some members to attend. We were reminded that the primary reason for this scheduling is to allow 'out-of-towners' a better opportunity to participate in the CAC, although it was pretty clear that this has not been happening much lately. Changing to a different evening was also discussed. A past officer reminded us that the present schedule is required in the PC/W CAC By-laws, so any change would require them to be modified. At the end of the discussion we concluded that we would leave the schedule as is and proceed with setting up the Monday night and Saturday mornings for next year.
- New Business Tillamook County Transient Lodging Tax (TLT) Ordinance The 8. group began by discussing the information concerning the proposed Ordinance presented at the Chamber of Commerce meeting on September 3. The Chamber's official position is to oppose the Ordinance in its current form, and used the meeting to present the various points of view. Some Chamber members seemed okay with the present version, but the stated concern is that while 85 to 90% of the money collected under the TLT will come from unincorporated areas of the County, there is no mechanism in the current version of the Ordinance that defines where the dollars will be spent. With very little collected from cities, the Chamber believes that at least half of the money collected should be spent in the unincorporated areas of the County, and that how this will be done needs to be clearly stated in the Ordinance. Because the County and cities have staffs and resources to lobby for how the money is spent, they believe the unincorporated areas such as Pacific City/Woods/Cloverdale will be at a disadvantage in the decision making process. Copies of the handouts from the Chamber meeting are attached as file: 2013TLT FactSheets.9.13.pdf. Subsequently, most everyone present at the CAC meeting shared their opinions and questions about what we are voting on at the November 5 election. Topics discussed included the following:
 - ➤ The tax rate is 10% and will be paid by tourists, not County residents. Most cities have a similar tax, and will only have to pay 1% of the 10% if they charge 9% or more. In addition, a 1% tax is collected by the State.
 - ➤ The Ordinance does state that the 30% will be used for road maintenance (e.g., fill potholes, mow grass, clean culverts and maintain signs on County roads).
 - > The quoted split of 70-30 percent is correct, but after deductions for

- administrative costs, less than 23% of the amount collected will be available for road maintenance.
- > This money will not be available for road construction work.
- ➤ Under Oregon law, the 70% can only be used for tourism promotion such as advertising, and tourist facilities such as conference centers and bathroom buildings.
- ➤ The increase in the number of tourist visits (and dollars) coming to Tillamook County will generate money for more jobs.
- ➤ These funds cannot be used for upgrading of local infrastructure such as the Sheriff's Office, rural fire districts, or water & sewer facilities.
- ➤ Past actions which show prejudice against South County by local governmental agencies raises concerns whether we will get our "fair share" of the taxes collected.
- While more tourists mean more money for tourism-related businesses and workers, and for local governments, there are obvious, significant negative impacts to the quality of life for County residents and land-owners that do not fall into these groups. There will be more congestion and noise with more visitors, and there will be increased demand on local infrastructure such as sewer and water systems (which are paid for by local taxpayers).
- 9. Announcements The next meeting of the Pacific City/Woods CAC will be on Saturday, October 19, 2013 at the Central Building starting at 10:30 am. The speaker will be York Johnson, Monitoring Program Coordinator for the Tillamook Estuaries Partnership. He will speak on the topic of the water quality test results on the rivers of Tillamook County.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Please see our website at www.pacificcitywoodscpac.org for additional information.

CAC's provide local citizens an opportunity to interact with their neighbors on local land use and other issues that impact their surrounding environment and are a valuable tool for decision-makers in formulating policies, rules and ordinances for land use and other community issues. This is a public meeting and public comment may be presented.

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