

CAPE MEARES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (CMCA)
COMMUNITY CENTER, CAPE MEARES, OR
SATURDAY, May 14, 2016 10:00 AM

ATTENDANCE

Charles Ansoerge
Marcille Ansoerge
Arla Ayers
Brad Ayers
Kathy Burke
Kevin Burke

Dave Freitas
Ruth Freitas
Anita Johanson
Keith Johanson
Deborah Thomas Neal
Olli Ollikainen

Veronica Paracchini
Rod Pelson
Mike Smith
Patti Smith
Chris Spence
Jane Spence

1. Call the meeting to order.

The meeting was called to order by the CMCA President, Charles Ansoerge, at 10:02 AM.

2. Announcements

--New Residents to Cape Meares
--Residents who have moved
--None were reported.

Charles announced that the 2015 Annual Report summarizing the highlights of the year was posted on Nextdoor and on the CMCA website.

CMCA presented doughnuts and a fruit plate to Tillamook County Public Works (PW) last Thursday as a thank you for all the work done in December 2015 to keep roads open during the storms.

Charles and Chris Spence met with Tillamook Commissioner Labhart on April 22. A report was posted on Nextdoor. No further action is planned regarding the Bayocean Spit at this time due to threats of lawsuits and the coming election.

On May 12 a meeting was held at the Tillamook Library at which Clair Thomas, a Tillamook science teacher and his students discussed activities they are planning on the Spit. Charles and Patti and Mike Smith attended. Their plans would include kiosks with information about and a history of the Spit. Sarah Absher, one of the Tillamook County planners said they would have to have permission from the Planning Commission to construct the kiosks. Mr. Thomas would fund these with grants. Questions were raised by those attending the Cape Meares meeting if this would violate the restrictions presently for building structures on the Spit and thus encourage structures by others. Also there were concerns voiced about drawing more people to the Spit.

Public Works will make an announcement this summer whether funds will be available to proceed with the repair of the Loop Road.

3. Approval of Agenda.

Charles amended the agenda by having 8C changed to 8A and by adding item 8F related to changes to the CMCA Board. Ollie Ollikainen moved and Jane Spence seconded to approve the Agenda as amended. Motion passed.

4. Approve the Minutes of February 20, 2016

No changes were reported and Jane Spence moved and Patti Smith seconded that they be approved. Motion passed.

5. Review the Financial Statements as of May 1, 2016. (Anita Johanson)

Anita Johansen reported a balance of \$8,392.17. This included reimbursement for the PUD grant. A savings reserve account has been opened and \$1,500.00 moved into that account as previously approved; the funds are for emergency purposes. This fund along with the School House Preservation Fund totals \$6,006.88. The total of funds for CMCA is \$13,447.97

6. REPORTS

A. Social Chair (Deborah Neal)

Deborah Neal reported that the February potluck was not well attended. No potluck was held in March since it was the night before Easter. The April potluck had great food and a nice turnout and attendees brought supplies for the emergency shelters. Deborah had a well-attended poetry reading in March.

A Memorial Day potluck is scheduled for Sunday, May 29th at 1:00 pm. CMCA will provide hot meat and residents are asked to bring other dishes.

The July 4th potluck will be held on Monday, July 4th. Gary Grosz, who performed last year, will be performing again this year. There is interest in having a garage sale during that weekend but someone other than Deborah will need to organize it.

Other events that Deborah is considering are a water event in July or August, movie nights, and morning coffees. These events would need someone to organize them.

The 4K for Cancer bicyclists will again be arriving here in early August to put their bikes in the Pacific. Residents are asked to provide food and may offer to have bikers stay overnight in their homes.

In response to a question about who sets the times for potlucks and holiday events, Deborah said that the social committee does. It was also explained that the summer holiday events start at 1:00 PM so that cleanup can be finished early for those who do it.

B. Building and Grounds (Mike and Patti Smith)

Mike Smith gave the following report for the year 2015.

Another year has passed and our Community Center is still very busy. This past year we enjoyed:

- 7- Potlucks
- 3 -Picnics (Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day)
- 1- Christmas Dinner
- New Years Eve party and silent auction

Meetings/Workshops

- Oceanside Water District - bi-monthly
- Emergency Preparedness
- Red Cross
- CMCA Meetings
- Art classes
- Poetry workshop

Paid Tenants \$575.00

- COASST
- Steen Salmon Derby
- Card Party
- Family Reunions (2)
- Birthday Party
- OSU Softball Team
- SHAPE singers

Others

- Christmas Caroling (door to door this year)
- Sponsored 4K for Cancer Lunch
- Clean-Up Day (19 workers)
- Moved plants from community center to Pump Station
- Roller Cart for Bar-b-q (Spence)

We have \$106.03 left in our Building Mgrs. Fund, when that money is gone we won't be using that fund anymore since we now have a credit card for purchases.

Patti reported that the clean-up day was held on Saturday, April 16, with a good turnout and most tasks completed. Patti said that the BBQ grill needs to be cleaned before Memorial Day and is asking for volunteers to do it.

In response to a question whether there were any comments made due to no longer having doggie waste bags at the parking areas next to the beach, Mike and Patti said there were none.

C. Emergency Preparedness (Mike Neal)

Deborah Neal reported on plans for the 7th Street storage shed. She is creating a manual for steps to be taken in a case of emergency. Decisions must be made about how much space would be allotted for community preparation and how much for personal items. Deborah read a list of what should be included for preparedness. CMCA received \$10,000 for emergency preparedness from a grant from FEMA. The Tillamook Fire Department will oversee the use of these funds. CMCA still plans to have four additional storage sheds and have supplies in all of them. It would require \$50,000 to complete these.

7. Old Business

A. Update on 106 Acres of Land Deeded to CMCA by Stimson (Ansorge)

There was an easement granted for the adjacent property owner, presently the Grimm brothers, to use the road but the easement was never filed with the County so therefore they have no use of the road. It seems that CMCA is responsible for repairs to the road and the maintenance of the area. Maps are not clear exactly where property lines are.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Mitigation of blocked culvert beneath logging road in Meares Park (Spence)

Because of blockage of the culvert on the road, water has created ponds in the area, causing a channel to be cut through the Neal's property and debris gathering at the Pacific Street and Bayocean culverts. The ponds are receding because of less rain but will again fill in the fall when rains begin. A letter was written to Gordon McCraw, Tillamook County Works, Tillamook Fire Department, Board of Commissioners, Oregon Department of Forestry and Wildlife to inform them of the situation and possible damage to the area as well as to find sources of funding to repair the situation. Chris suggested that a simple plan to improve the present situation would cost approximately \$3,000.00 to \$4,000.00; this would involve removing the culvert and going back to native soil. It appears that the Oceanside Water District owns land in the area and Chris will attend the next OWD meeting to discuss the situation with them.

B. Repair of Streets not maintained by Tillamook County Public Works

It was noted that most of the streets in Cape Meares are in bad repair. The only streets that PW will repair are Bayocean, 4th Street and part of Pacific Street. All other streets would have to be repaired through local improvement districts in which the homeowners assess themselves for the repair. PW is responsible for county roads but have limited funds for repairs.

C. Election of Board members

There are three openings for Board members. Charles announced that John Harland and Anita Johanson are willing to continue as members for another two-year term. Kevin Burke asked not to continue so a seat is open. So far no one has accepted being nominated. Jane Spence moved and Chris Spence seconded that we accept John and Anita as Board members. Motion passed. The Board has the option of selecting someone for the other seat.

D. Purchase of Stellflug property by North Coast Land Conservancy

The North Coast Land Conservancy (NCLC) is negotiating to buy this property located north of the Bayocean Road and 4th Street intersection consisting of 40 acres of which 30 approximately are underwater. It would then deed it to Tillamook County. The price negotiated is \$175,000.00. Twenty percent of the purchase price would be financed through private fund donations.

E. 4K for Cancer Bicyclists (Keith Johanson)

Keith announced that this group would again be coming to Cape Meares to put their bikes in the Pacific. Chris moved and Kevin seconded that we support them with a potluck dinner. Motion passed. Residents may also want to host some of the riders overnight.

F. Changes to election of Board Members

Because so far no one has accepted the vacant seat on the Board, Charles wanted to know if it would be possible to have a family or household serve as Board members, with one vote only, but with the different members attending meetings. The consensus was that this would be a good idea and Charles will further explore the idea and determine changes to by-laws.

9. Public Comments

Veronica commented that the April 30 potluck was fabulous, even somewhat raucous.

Charles noted that Kevin Burke was finishing his term as of this meeting and thanked him for his participation. A round of applause for his service followed.

10. ADJOURNMENT

ALL REGULAR MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO CAPE MEARES RESIDENTS. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED. The Cape Meares Community Association is a 501c3 sanctioned organization. Website is : www.capemeares.org

Minutes prepared by Marcille Ansorge.

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