

Cape Meares Community Association

Community Meeting Feb. 11, 2023

Minutes

1. Meeting called to order by President, Beverly Stein, at 10 am.
2. Minutes were approved from meeting of 11/12/2022.
3. Treasurer's Report - Sean Kohles

General Fund: \$14, 735.69 in checking and savings accounts

Watershed donation fund: \$25,667.68

Projected annual expenses: \$6,152.

Sean also explained the Bottle Drop project whereby redeemable bottles and cans can be turned in at Fred Meyers and the deposit refund earmarked as donations for CMCA. You must use a blue bag and sticker to make sure credit goes to the correct place. These bags and stickers are available at the community center when it is open. Plans are being made to have them available in other places also. It's possible to raise over \$1,000 per year in this way if people participate.

4. Committee Reports:

A. **Social Committee:** Kathy Burke reported that there will be another community potluck on Feb. 25th. Potlucks are normally held on the last Saturday of the month and posted on the CMCA website.

Kathy and the social committee are already planning for the July 4th party and are looking for any volunteer help to come forward.

B. **Emergency Preparedness:** Kathy B. reported that Charles Ansoerge has put lots of important information about emergency preparedness on the website including maps of neighborhoods with their neighborhood captains. Community members should definitely check this information out.

On Feb. 18th Pete Steen and Kevin Burke will present an Emergency Preparedness Tech Preparation seminar. They will focus on how we can all be better prepared in the case of our (seemingly regular) blackouts.

5. Watershed Conservancy Report:

Bev presented a general overview of the ongoing process to acquire the forested property and preserve the fragile ecology of our community. This project is exceedingly important to the continued livability of our small community. Bev explained the fund raising that is currently in progress as well as the grant application process. Narayan Lincoln described the recent Habitat assessment. Simone Goldfeder described the due diligence work including appraisals and Miriam Fultz described the on-going research into grants. There will be a full meeting to acquaint the community with the specific details and challenges on **March 4 at 1PM**.

6. Updates from Board:

A. Scott Gordon displayed a sample of the new signage that will hopefully soon be placed at the entrance to the community on Bayocean Drive. The sign includes the new logo and web address and is very attractive and welcoming. Scott addressed the issues of costs and permits, which are underway.

Scott will also meet with County Commissioner Erin Skaar to discuss issues of speeding in the community and possible solutions. A major area of concern continues to be in the areas of the lake and the approach to the parking area on 4th.

B. Simone Goldfeder reported on the issue of short-term rentals in the community. There are currently meetings underway for all of Tillamook county to consider changes to the STR ordinances. She will keep us updated as to the ongoing decisions. Pete Steen commented that not all of the Short-term rental properties here provide adequate information to renters concerning emergency preparedness and garbage collection.

C. **Bylaws:** Donna Letho, Bev Stein and Pete Steen are currently revising and streamlining our outdated CMCA bylaws. The Board will review the draft of new bylaws, then place them on the website for community input and comments, make revisions as necessary, and then present the final bylaws for approval on May 1 at the Annual Meeting.

7. Other info: Bev reported that there is now in progress a community newsletter that will be sent to all homeowners in the community. The newsletter is being written and produced with all volunteer participation.

8. On February 25th at 10am there will be a presentation on the viability of Solar Power, both for regular electric usage and emergency back-up.

9. Dave McCall, Tillamook County Solid Waste Manager, presented a very thorough and helpful discussion of current recycling in the community and changes expected from the recently passed Recycling Modernization Act.

10. Bev adjourned the meeting after Dave's presentation.

Board Members Present:

Beverly Stein
Kathy Burke
Sean Kohles
Donna Lehto
Tome Francis
Scott Gordon
Simone Goldfelder (via Zoom)
Miriam Fultz (via Zoom)

Community Members Present:

Kevin Burke
Pete Steen
Charles Ansorge
Karen Schrank
Narayan Lincoln
Chris Spence
Wendy Kunkel
Robert (Olli) Ollikainen
Sue Drafahl
Marcille Ansorge
Paul Lehto
Mary Gordon
Arla Ayers
Jenny Francis
Shelley Moulis (via Zoom)

Minutes submitted by Butch Freedman