

WB NAC Meeting May 12, 2011

Pre Meeting Social time and light dinner: 6:30 pm

Meeting start time: 7:05 pm

Attendance:

Chair: Sue Price

Vice Chair:

Treasurer:

Recorder: Aaron Poarch

BCCI Rep: Amanda Tahayori

Alt. BCCI Rep: Bill Wood

Others: Hilde Carpenter, Trudy Harder, Gail Beasley, Rich Carson, Wendell Cockrell, Edna Fontenot, Priscilla Christenson, Christian Corning, Kathleen Trask, Mark Hereim, Tobias Read, Charles Powers

Last meetings minutes were accepted into the record as submitted.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Aaron Poarch.

Fire report (presented by TVFR):

No Fire Report

Police report (presented by Officer Christian Corning):

Seat Belt Clinic on May 21st and June 4th at City Hall

Public Safety Advisory Committee – This is the committee to determine the future location of the police station and city hall. There are space needs for the office, parking lot, etc.

There will be no bond measures for this in November.

Things can be done now, such as artist drawings, site surveys, pre-planning, etc.

There may be a video in the future showing current department with reasons for needing a new building.

Q. Sue Price – Can we schedule video for September?

A. Officer Corning – I will let you know in June.

Q. Are the meetings open?

A. Officer Corning – I will find out and let you know next month.

Officer Corning discussed some of the options:

1. Police get new building and city hall takes over entire current facility.
2. City Hall moves out and Police takes over current facility.

Q. Could we merge with county?

A. Officer Corning – Has been broached, but won't happen.

First Guest Presentation:

Representative Tobias Read

He stated that the legislature will meet annually for 160 days a year now.

He talked about the budget and explained that it is driven by sales tax. The Legislature gets a report from the State Economist every 3 months. In the most recent forecast, the results were positive. Corporate profits were down, but it's because they are hiring. He also stated that personal income was up.

Representative Read said that the 3 main areas of the budget are human services, public service and education.

The legislature passed education budget of 5.7 billion. Beaverton will be making cuts.

Rep. Read said that we are in the process of redistricting. This is done every 10 years after the census is conducted.

Q. You are member of Joint Tax Revenue Committee? What does that do?

A. It's about tax expenditures, i.e. we allow people to deduct mortgage interest.

Rep. Read talked about tax credits. To end a tax credit takes super majority of 36 votes, but takes only 31 to enact a tax.

Tax credits can be done in different way. Some have caps – i.e. SolarWorld – only so much money available.

Q. What about relatives on staff?

A. We have one budget for office supplies, etc. Some people do have family on staff.

Rep. Read stated that his salary is about \$21,000 a year

Q. Do you get free lunches?

A. Can't take more than \$50 a year from anyone with an interest in legislation.

Q. What kind of lobbyist?

A. Professional, contract and citizen lobbyist – His job is to process the information and determine who's telling the truth.

Q. What's going on with liquor control?

A. Don't know – not on Ways and Means Committee. Don't know much detail.

Q. Wendall - I have made communication attempts to two legislatures and have failed. Suggestions?

A. Try email, letters, and town halls. Do it respectfully.

Q. Sue – You mentioned tax credits. SolarWorld is part of a campaign that offers solar panels as part of a government program. Should people do it now?

A. Conservation has a sunset date of June 30th 2012. This gives people a little time to make up mind.

Q. How are things looking for Medicaid?

A. Not good. We match funds from the Federal Government and those have been reduced.

Q. Why not look for fraud?

A. All easy cuts have been made. If you have ideas, you can call me.

Second Guest Presentation

Charles Powers – a member of the master planning committee at Seventh Day Church was there to discuss the renovations of the church.

He stated that they decided to do construction projects in stages. They are trying to lighten up the church and put more three dimensional effects outside. They will change windows to thermal panes. Some of them will be horizontal and some vertical. Each phase of the project will be completed before moving to the next phase.

The kitchen will be relocated with the same square footage but more rectangular than square.

Q. Have you considered solar panels?

A. The roof style doesn't lend itself to solar. We are going with thermal paned windows.

Q. Any changes to the parking lot?

A. None for phase one. We have to maintain same amount of parking spaces.

Q. What is size of congregation?

A. 800

Q. Is the tower already out there?

A. Yes, thirty years. Bells never put in tower.

He also stated that Fellowship Hall will remain the same for now, but will be pushed out further in future phases. Back of church will look more like the front.

The BCCI report given by Amanda

SOS Oregon: Lisa Leithauser with SOS, Secretary of State, presented their proposed state bill to regulate adult entertainment business. SOS is a non-profit coalition to coordinate working with advocacy groups, neighborhood businesses, local, state and federal officials to end the proliferation of adult entertainment business in our neighborhoods. You can get involved, visit www.sosoregon.org to join and participate. Their goals are:

1. Demand short-term code enforcement solutions at the city and county level.
2. Encourage long-term industry regulation at the local, state and federal level.
3. Promote ongoing education of the public about human trafficking and adult entertainment.
4. Organize reduce demand actions such as stand-in protests at adult private room businesses.

City Report: Randy Ealy, the assistant to the mayor reported, they're currently working on:

1. Coordinating facility study. Looking into redevelopment opportunities in Beaverton which may or may not include civic elements. Multi cultural facility studies, police station, city hall, court, meeting spaces... are among some of the facilities that are being studied. These are plans that might possibly go on May 2012 ballot as the city wants the Urban Renewal to be the only item on the upcoming ballot.
2. Civic plan has come back and the mayor & council are considering some of the points such as water enhancements around the downtown by the Rounds w/ Beaverton creek, traffic calming & creating friendly pedestrian environment on Canyon and the festival street concept on Broadway.
3. City Budget, building fund, water fund, mileage rate trying not to let it increase.

City Council Report: Marc San Soucie reported, since the city staff is now busy w/ Urban Growth, Civic Plan, and Community vision, council gets to have a easier load and has meetings planned with Tualatin Fire & Rescue District and Beaverton School District which were set aside previously.

Community Vision project has now secured a lead partner or a supporting partner to all the items except 3 or 4, and on May 18, at 5:30 there's a celebration at the library.

1st budget committee meeting is set for May 26.

Update on Urban Renewal: Don Mazziotti, Community Development Director reported. Don would be available to present to neighborhood associations.

1. Why does Urban Renewal exist? There are 3 principal reasons for its existence.
A) To remove blight, defined as any physical deterioration or devaluation, or public hazard or safety or regulatory blight B) To attract and catalyze private investments, where investment has deteriorated or not kept up with the surrounding area. C) To generate future tax revenue, concentrating largely on the central Beaverton
2. Paid through tax increments. Complicated formula, but basically after a plan is approved the tax assessor in the county freezes the tax base, any growth in the

base over the succeeding plan life is captured in the form of value and that value is bonded against. The bond proceeds referred to as tax increment bonds are used to make the investments and the improvements the plan was for and that's how these improvements are paid for. Typically plans are for 20 or 30 years long and no more debt is issued when the life of the plan is reached.

- Land Use: Jim Persey, reported 3 house bills we talked about before died in committee.
- Neighborhood Summitt: There were about 1000 attendees. Overwhelmingly positive feedback was received.

Upcoming Events:

- Sat June 4 – Recycling Day, 9-2:00 @ former Westgate Theater
- Sat June 25 – Free Document Shredding, 10-1 @ Tektronix
- Starting Tues, June 29 – Beaverton Last Tuesday, an outdoor celebration of music, art and food 5-8 @ Plaza at the Round
- Starting Tues, July 13 – Picnic in the Park, 6-7:30 @ different neighborhood parks

First budget meeting

Q. Is there city funding to repair sidewalks?

A. Sue - Come up with three bids and they will pay half.

Sue talk about the sidewalks being repaired by HOA and the work they did.

Old Business

April 21st – Annual book giveaway – Over 67 children were gifted with 6 books each.

\$1525 was collected for the books,

Q. Hilde – Where did the books come from?

A. Sue – School donated the books

Hilde said that there are lots of books stored in the warehouse.

Aaron – Blue boxes that are described for Books for Charity are not really for charity. Only 25 % goes to charity based on news program.

Wolami Park update – about 75 people attended. Eight TVPR employees attended.

Sue said that a letter from TVPRD was abrupt, but the meeting was better and more receptive. Meeting was mostly against the park being developed.

Four different variations of the trail were presented. Sue talked about tree removal for different options. A community trail is 8 ft wide with foot on each side. Other options are 5-8 ft. wide.

Sue talked about park classification.

Mark - Walomi is now classified as a Natural Area.

Strong consensus from attendees that they want to retain natural feeling of park.

Q. Do they sound amenable to suggestions from the group?

A. Yes. Also, sets precedence for other parks.

Other observations:

Residence didn't live there when Girl Scouts were using the park. There were questions about security.

Priscilla was impressed by the turnout and they support for the smaller parking lots and lower impact on the park.

Mark – Need to let board know your feelings.

Lots of trees have been marked.

Board meeting June 6th. Send emails

Priscilla has updated sheets.

We own the park.

Comment was made that Corp of Engineers need to be contacted.

Q. Wendell – Has an allowance made for emergency vehicles?

A. Mark – problem exists in other parks.

New Business

Picnic in the Park – Schiffler Park on July 13th. Hot dogs, pop, music, etc.

Cinnamon Booth – June 11th

Beaverton Recycling – June 4th

June 24th-25th - Four Seasons garage sale for the NAC. We need to coordinate with William Wood. We will donate leftover goods to Sunshine Pantry or Goodwill.

No Treasurers Report

None

Announcements:

None

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm