

Minutes to be reviewed and approved at the October 13, 2011 West Beaverton NAC meeting.

WB NAC Meeting September 8, 2011

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

Meeting start time: 7:05 pm

Attendance:

Chair: Sue Price

Vice Chair: Karen Schouten

Treasurer:

Recorder: Aaron Poarch

BCCI Rep: Amanda Tahayori

Alt. BCCI Rep: Bill Wood

Others: Bruce Richards, Karen Olsen, Hilde Carpenter, Heather Thompson, Jessica Thompson, Larry Slowik, Tracy Harder, Gail Beasley, Edna Fontenot, Wendell Cockrell, Geoff Spalding, Christian Corning, Patricia Lonqua

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):

Car seat clinic on Sept. 10th.

Landlord - -Tenant forum on Oct. 5th. at Beaverton Library. The forum is to help landlords fight crime.

Asked members to take survey on website to tell how police are doing.

Traffic change at Washington Square. Scholls Ferry entrance is closed permanently. Too many crashes.

City fine schedule is going down, but not yet.

Fixit ticket program. Fix warning between ticket and court date.

Got new patrol cars rolled out. They were in a parade. New color scheme.

Chief Spalding – Any thoughts on new color scheme?

A – No one really cares as long as it's not behind you.

Wendell Cockrell – Traveling South on Murray. Can you turn right on that red?

Officer Corning – Yes, you can turn right there.

Office Corning - Unless it is posted differently, you can turn right at any intersection.

Karen Olsen. – Can you explain the theft on crime map?

Office Corning – No, will get info on it.

Amanda Tahayori – Was there a crime on Davis Ave. on August 22nd.

Office Corning – No, will get info on it.

Bruce Richards – Likes the reports on crime.

First Guest Presentation: Chief Spalding

Am willing to come to meet with you anytime.

Flashing left arrows. Any questions? You are allowed to enter intersection and yield to oncoming traffic. This keeps traffic moving. There may be another public information piece on left turn signals.

New fine structure. Fines are too high. It's not our goal to make money from tickets. For example, running a red light is \$382 right now. The citation structure has been changed across the state to be more uniform.

Talked more about the Fixit program.

Ask members to try to take survey. Would like to have feedback.

Q. How long is survey running?

Chief Spalding – Thru September

Chief Spalding spoke about fireworks.

State of Oregon does allow safe fireworks. Illegal ones are the ones that fly through the air. What to do? Education campaigns?

We don't know impact of new programs for a year. Chief Spalding talked about several things they tried to implement prior to July 4th. Get information out..Sent out lots of information to many media and other outlets. Didn't work. 9 p.m. midnight calls increased from 78 in 2010 to 110 in 2011. We did have additional resources. It didn't help. What do we do? We have a problem. Chief mentioned monthly meeting with chiefs, etc. Asked other chiefs and they have same problems. Resources spread thin. They are trying to come up with an unified Washington County program. Pool all resources to try to have a greater impact.

Officer Corning – You have to catch them in the act.

Chief Spalding – Fining people in possession of fireworks may help.

Q. – What about altering illegal fireworks?

Chief Spalding – We need to make law more clear.

Comment. I can tell you which areas the fireworks will be going off.

Karen Olsen –Can you look at difference between stats when we had fireworks display and now?

Chief Spalding - What year was that?

More comments on firework locations from various members.

Officer Corning – It is illegal to possess. A Type B misdemeanor.

Karen Schouten - Can you arrange to expand the force for the July 4th week?

Chief Spalding – May be able to have spotters. Can't bring back people. Have to do background check, etc.

Karen Schouten – Do you need us to testify to help with budget?

Chief Spalding – If we need that, we will let you know.

Wendell Cockrell – We need to give more info out about fireworks Cited several publications that could have been used to get out firework information. Also, we need to be more forceful.

Chief Spalding – We will try to be more forceful. Most people know that fireworks are illegal. The ones that have illegal fireworks know they are illegal.

Chief Spalding – We do care and will try to do more.

Q – How far outside Beaverton Boundary do Beaverton Police go?

Chief Spalding – Emergency knows no boundary. Can go outside boundaries if need.

Comment – Tired of seeing cars out of boundary. Mentioned an event a couple of weeks ago.

Officer Corning - Was one of two cars seen. Explained incident.

Comment – Great thing to have light on 178th on TV highway.

Wendall – Can you improve response to red lights awareness?

Several complaints about different intersections in town from several members.

Second Guest Presentation: Heather Thompson of Beaverton Gleaners

Thanks for the opportunity! We are at Beaverton Resource Center. We will pick your fruit and also pick up food from local grocers, etc. Pick up food from the food bank also.

We are a food with dignity group. We never turn anyone away. We require 3 hours of volunteer time. Why do we do this? To help others! Why I do this? Gave me empowerment to empower others! How we get food? Heather howed a pick from a cherry tree and a potato dig. We also garden. We took over Giving Gardens. Last year was bad. This year we got the beds raised. Better yield this year. We try to supplement with fresh fruits and vegetables. Showed examples from Beaverton Farmer's Market. It is a work for your food program. Everyone can do something to help.

How to become a Gleaner? - Applications are available at Resource Center. 3 p.m. on Saturdays.

What are the benefits – Fresh food weekly. Shop for what you need. Promotes healthy diets.

Operates at 200% of poverty level. We don't ask for ID or proof of income.

Online at TVGLEANERS.ORG.

Q. How do people find out?

A. We have saturated area with info. City of Beaverton, Oregon Food Banks should refer people. Go to lots of events to get word out.

Q. Are blackberries too perishable?

A. Hard to pick with families. Insurance issue. Work with TVPRD to open garden

Q. Have you worked with Faith Café?

A – We have worked with them. Homeless people don't come through much.

Q. What do you do in winter?

A. We pick up dry goods. Access fruits and veggies from Oregon Food bank.

Q. Have you ever run out of food?

A. – Never. Had 192 families last week. We adjust limits to meet amount of people.

We run a large holiday program.

66% of people getting food from the Gleaners come from Beaverton.

The BCCI report given by Amanda

US Senate Update: John Valley, who's a Washington & Clackamas County's Field Representative for Senator Jeff Merkley reported. In addition to attending meeting and local events, he's making sure people has access to the senate office, he schedules events for the senator when he's in town. He can help write a letter of support for land application for people. Senator sits in 4 committees: Budget Committee, Banking and Housing Urban Development Committee, Environmental & Public Works Committee & Help Education Labor Intention committee.

Call John at (503) 326-3386 or email him at johnvalley@merkley.senate.gov

City Report & City Council Report: Randy Ealy was attending to city business and wasn't present. Lani Parr handed out final draft of 2011 Legislative Report proposal for BCCI members to look over. She also handed a report of Upcoming Community Events for the next 3 months. Marc San Soucie reported for City council.

1. An opening for city attorney, 8 final candidates were interviewed in the last 2 weeks. City charter will make the decision hopefully by the end of the month.
2. City council has a presentation video from Police Court Facility. The decision will take about 6-12 months. Possible sites will be kept confidential to make sure prices stay true. New construction or rehab of an existing building will take about 1-3 years. Beaverton Police staff is kept at a smaller SF per personnel than any other city police of our size or greater.
3. City has been part of a region wide process of developing of areas called Urban and Rural Reserves. Urban Reserves would be areas that the Portland Metropolitan could expand into in the next 50 years and Rural Reserves would be areas that Portland Metropolitan couldn't expand into in the next 50 years. The Land Conservation Development Commission out of Salem has unanimously approved the Urban and Rural Reserve's recent revised proposal. The Urban Reserve proposal contains a proposal by metro for city of Beaverton's Urban Growth Boundary expansion for this year. There's a fair chance city of Beaverton will get the grant for UGB expansion for north of Scholls Ferry Rd and West of current Murray-Scholls area for 4100+ residential units over the course of 5-10 years .
4. City acquired a square block of downtown property, Lombard ST, Chapman, 1st and 2nd – Mixed residential use & commercial development. Submit your proposals and ideas.
5. Waiting for the response to the request that Providence has made for HUD funding to support their intention of the development of senior housing and senior clinic at 1st, Angel, Farmington & Main Block.
6. Urban Renewal Plan has now been sent to the voters.

Subcommittee Updates: Jim Persey reported for Land Use Issues. There are a series of legislative zoning development going on and also deleting obsolete zoning. He also discussed the BCCI Bylaws and a possible revision to it. It couldn't be concluded and will get voted on in the future sessions. Neighborhood Involvement Subcommittee is working on their survey conducting how to improve the NAC. Results were compiled from 15 people who took the survey. Once the survey questions are finalized, it will be sent to other citizens for their feedback. This committee hopes to find out the effectiveness of NAC meetings.

Upcoming Events:

- Wed, Sept 14 & Thur, Sept 22 – Beaverton Neighborhood Forum at 6:30-8pm at City Library & Southridge High School
- Sat, Sept 10 & 24 – Car Seat Clinic behind City Hall at 9am-12:30pm
- Wed, Sept 14 – Small Business Symposium, talking about the resources available to US Small Business, 7:30am-11:30am
- Fri, Sept 23 through Sun, Oct 9 – Beaverton Civic Theater at Beaverton City Library; Fridays and Saturdays at 8pm and Sundays at 2pm

Amanda Tahayori
September 7, 2011

Old Business

NAC Garage Sale raised Over \$1500.

UPS store doing their fundraiser for books, also.

Grant approved for this year - \$1000

\$200 worth of books purchased by Bruce and Karen. They got 80% off books.

Bruce talked about shopping for books. Very excited.

Bill Wood said the books were appreciated by the principal. The principal is really pushing reading.

Bill Wood has information if people want to volunteer to read.

Recycle event – We came in second with 15 volunteers. We made over \$700+ from that event.

We got a thank you card from Sunshine Pantry. We have donated 72 pounds of food.

Urban Renewal Forum on September 14th at the library is for our NAC.

Cinnamon booth netted \$321.00

New Business

Recycle event at Intel on Oct. 8th and Oct. 29th

Karen Olsen – You can drop off meds at City Hall now for humans and pets.

Next month we will have nominations and elections.

Treasurers Report given by Karen Schouten

Beginning balance - \$2009.82

Check 535 for Farmer's Market - \$150.00

Check 536 for Beaverton's Bakery - \$186.18

Check 537 for Beaverton Sub Shop - \$269.00

Deposit from Cinnamon Booth - \$682.55

Maintenance Fee - \$13.00

Deposit for garage Sale – 1253.00

Ending Balance - \$3227.82

Announcements:

None

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm