



## MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** Feb 11, 2020

**TIME:** 3:00 PM

**LOCATION:** Columbia River Room

**Tuesday February 11, 2020**

### Welcome and Introductions

Meeting called to order at 3:04 PM by Sky Johnson

BCOA Members in Attendance:

Sky Johnson (Chair), Hilary Greenebaum (Recorder), Carley Adams (City Staff Liaison); Beverly Sali, John Ratliff, Martha McJacobs, Suzanne VanSlyke, Louis Weisberg, Sunita Garg, Laura Gazarian, and Sophie McDuffey

**New Member** from the Youth Advisory Council: Baasil Pasha. We are thrilled to have him join us!

### Review and Approval of January Minutes

Lou and Bev moved to approve the minutes as written with two small typos.

### Visitor Comment Period

Premila Singh Independent Life Insurance Agent told us about a new type of life insurance with cash value. She left promotional materials for us.

### Election of New Officers

- A. Hilary Greenebaum was nominated for Recorder and accepted the position

- B. Sophie McDuffey was nominated for Vice Chair position and accepted the position
- C. Martha McJacobs was nominated for Chair and accepted the position

### **New Business:**

#### **Prospective Project Members' Involvement:**

1. Hilary reported that she is talking with someone at Tri-Met regarding how to help, nudge, seniors to use public transportation, including more information on bus shelters and benches. The individual at Tri-Met offered a possible presentation which we (at BCOA) will discuss when we get more information.
2. Martha reported about transportation issues, sidewalks and Canyon and Cedar Hills Blvd. There is much discussion about TV Hwy due to expansion and new huge new housing development in Hillsboro. The Red Line Train will extend to the PCC Campus in 2021.
3. Sophie shared the CUPCAKE Challenge Bake Sale event at [Fieldstone Cornell Landing](#)! Saturday Feb 15 at 2 PM. RSVP.
4. Carley confirmed how for us to best share resources, make decisions, and follow board policies as we work together. Every decision is made at the BCOA committee level. Research and communicating is fine on a members' level. Making decisions is something we need to do at the board level all together.
5. Big Event: Elsie Stuhr Valentine Dance! Thursday 2/13 at 1:30 PM

### **Beaverton City Staff Liaison Report: Carley Adams**

#### **February News**

**Free tax preparation and financial services available through April 15.** CASH Oregon and AARP Tax-Aide will be offering free tax preparation to low-income families and individuals at the Griffith Drive Building through Wednesday, April 15. **Open hours are Tuesdays through Fridays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.** This is a walk-in service (no appointments) available in multiple languages.

The program has helped Beaverton residents take advantage of the

Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). For more information and a list of documents to bring with you, visit [www.BeavertonOregon.gov/taxprep](http://www.BeavertonOregon.gov/taxprep)<<http://www.BeavertonOregon.gov/taxprep>>.

**Metropolitan Family Services (MFS)** will also be onsite to provide economic empowerment services, including financial plans and goal setting. This service is available on **Thursdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on a walk-in basis**. For more information on this service, visit [www.metfamily.org](http://www.metfamily.org)<<http://www.metfamily.org>>.

**Applications open for Volunteer Fair.** Nonprofits and community groups are invited to participate in the 2020 Beaverton Volunteer Fair that will be held on **Saturday, April 18 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.** at the Beaverton City Library (12375 SW Fifth Street). The free event is an opportunity for the community to learn about and get involved with more than 30 local nonprofits and organizations. The event is also open to high school students, so organizations with volunteer opportunities for youths are strongly encouraged to apply. There is no cost to participate. The deadline to apply is Monday, March 9 at 5 p.m. Learn more and apply online at [www.BeavertonOregon.gov/VolunteerFair](http://www.BeavertonOregon.gov/VolunteerFair)<<http://www.BeavertonOregon.gov/VolunteerFair>> or contact the Neighborhood & Events program at 503-526-2559 or [events@BeavertonOregon.gov](mailto:events@BeavertonOregon.gov)<<mailto:events@BeavertonOregon.gov>>.

**Renter Rights and Landlord Forums offered in February.** The city in partnership with the Fair Housing Council of Oregon will provide a free Renters Rights Training on **Wednesday, February 12 from 6 to 8 p.m.** at the Beaverton City Library. The training will **help renters understand Fair Housing laws, and what to do if these rights are violated**. The training is facilitated in English and other languages by request. Dinner and childcare are provided.

**The Landlord Forum series continues in February, too.** This training occurs monthly from October through May and is hosted by the Westside Crime Prevention Coalition for local landlords. Upcoming forums are **Wednesday, February 12, March 11 and April 8 at 6:30 p.m.** at PCC

Willow Creek (241 SW Edgeway Drive in Hillsboro). Training sessions are 90 minutes and cover a wide variety of topics. **Landlords will learn how to better manage their rental property and how to partner with local law enforcement.**

### **Member Work Session Reports:**

1. Sky reported that her group talked about the sneaker ball. The group will research vendors and discuss with a former event planner.
2. Lou reported his group is coming together how to support the concept of an educational forum. Topics might include retirement redesign for early retirees, and/or long-term care, hospice and end of life planning. There is plenty of time to revisit these two broad topics.

***Meeting Adjourned @ 4:38 PM > Next Meeting March 20, 2020***