

## **DRAFT - OGCC General Meeting Minutes - DRAFT**

**MODERATOR:** Baldwin van der Bijl

**DATE:** Jan. 27 2016

**RECORDER:** Joan Hamilton

**LOCATION:** Oak Grove United Methodist Church

**VOTING OGCC MEMBERS PRESENT: 35**

Annette Adams, Mary Bailey, Gary Blair, Cathie Blosser, Bob Bohannon, Carol Bosworth, Renae Campbell, Ron Campbell, Jane Civiletti, Trisha Claxton, Eileen Coffee, Mel Coffee, Sue Conachan, Joseph Edge, Ginger Fink, Lynn Fisher, Tom Foeller, Dave Gray, Annette Guarriello, Thelma Haggemiller, Joan Hamilton, Tom Hogan, Keith Hooper, Eleanore Hunter, Chips Janger, Geoffrey Janke, Pat Kennedy, Jim Meyer, Fred Sawyer, Michael Schmeer, Al Scott, Casey Snoeberger, Baldwin van der Bijl, Leonard Waldemar, Chaunda Wild, Bob Zimmer

**NON-VOTING OGCC MEMBERS PRESENT: 24**

Alan Adams, Susan Brazil, Victoria Chapman, Michael Cox, Molly Crawford-Reidy, Sharon Dalton, Gene Fifield, Melody Fifield, Brenda Kelner, George Masori, Michael O’Leary, Bobbie Paredes, Shelley Paxton, Jan Rogerson, Margie Rudich, Salli Slaughter, Rita Smith Kingen, Punky Scott, John Stucky, Tresa Westerdahl, WD Valentine, Ken Wells, Lea Wells, Christine Wygal,

**GUESTS AND VISITORS: 16**

Kimberly Benthin, Debbie Berglund, Debrah Bokowski, Gary Bukowski, Jeff Bornefeld, Jan Carothers, Terri Gibson, Kevin King, Rinny Lakin, Robert Lewis, ? McLaughlin, Patricia Maloy, Pam Martin, Chanhthanaly Sayadeth, Leslie Shirk, Bill Stewart

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Discussion/Action</u>
<b>Welcome, Introductions and Officer Reports:</b>	<p><b>Chair</b> - Baldwin van der Bijl explained the new OGCC maps/banners on the back wall. Due to the full agenda, the usual audience introductions were skipped for this meeting.</p> <p><b>Treasure Report</b> - Chaunda Wild presented the monthly report - approved</p> <p><b>Secretary Report</b> - Joan Hamilton asked if there were any changes to the Dec. 2, 2015 General Meeting Minutes. None voiced; minutes approved.</p>
<b>Main Topics: Drug Houses Bill Stewart Deputy District Attny Community Prosecu- tor</b>	<p><b>Prosecutor Bill Stewart</b> - Described the recent progress made in closing down drug houses in our community.</p> <p>- <b>Risley House:</b> the drug house on Risley Road (NOT the wonderful homes of the Risley family at several locations in the neighborhood) described by the Sheriff’s Dept. as “worst house in Clackamas County” with about 240 calls made to the Sheriff’s office in 2014. Mr. Stewart showed slides of the terrible mess of this house in foreclosure.</p> <p>Continued next page ...</p>

<p><b>Main Topics:</b> <b>Drug Houses Bill</b> <b>Stewart</b> Deputy District Attny Community Prosecu- tor</p>	<p>Continued ...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- This house took 6 months to shut down but immediately after closing the house on June 5, 2015, neighbors reported a wonderful transformation of the neighborhood. Mr. Stewart said the Sheriff's dept learned something from the process of cleaning up this house.</li> <li>- <b>Cedar House.</b> This house is directly across from the New Urban School (side street) and near Al Scott's Day Care establishment on Oak Grove Blvd. Again, this house was in foreclosure with no owner present. With the experience of the Risley house, Mr. Stewart and the Sheriff were able to cut the cleanup time from 6 months to 2 1/2 months. Mr Stewart gave credit to Officer Karen Moss who identified the owner and negotiated a voluntary eviction of the people in the house. An exclusion program was joined, the house was boarded, a no trespassing sign posted and on Oct 29th 2015, Oak Lodge Sanitary and Oak Lodge Water Districts provided equipment to clean up the exterior mess.</li> <li>- <b>Neighborhood Livability Project</b> - began July of 2015 with a list of candidate drug houses created. The goal is to expand the effort to clean up and prevent drug houses county wide, to empower patrol deputies to connect with the residents in the neighborhoods, to avoid just pushing squatters from place to place and to be creative.</li> <li>- Next Steps - Oak Grove and Jennings Lodge will meet 6 times / year to identify and discuss problem houses.</li> <li>- Mr Stewart said he has a list of problem houses/streets and will be happy to discuss/add if necessary. All citizens welcome to contact him.</li> </ul> <p>William K. Stewart - email: <a href="mailto:billste@co.clackamas.or.us">billste@co.clackamas.or.us</a> phone 503 655- 8431</p> <p>Mr Stewart recommended: If you see a crime, call 911. Otherwise, call the non-emergency #.</p> <p style="color: red;">Click here to see slides of Bill's presentation.</p> <p>(A list of service phone #'s will soon be placed on the OGCC website)</p>
<p><b>Main Topics:</b> <b>Code Enforcement</b> Kimberly Benthin Code Enforcement Specialist</p>	<p><b>Kimberly Benthin</b> - provided an extensive list of code enforcement regulations, priorities and challenges. Her scanned detailed slides are provided on the OGCC website.</p> <p>Ms Benthin fielded questions, many about graffiti in the neighborhood. If graffiti is present, for example, on the Trolley Trail side of a homeowner's fence, it is a crime against the homeowner whose fence is tagged. Both the</p> <p>Continued next page ...</p>

<p><b>Main Topics:</b></p> <p><b>Code Enforcement</b> Kimberly Benthin</p> <p>Code Enforcement Specialist</p>	<p>Continued ...</p> <p>home owner and walkers observing the graffiti are encouraged to photograph the graffiti and call the sheriff non-emergency number to report.</p> <p>She said there is only one “gang” in the area, the 21st Street gang. She encouraged people to call Deputy Sarah Moss (503 655-8211) if what is thought to be gang activity is spotted.</p> <p>Ms. Benthin’s contact information: 503 742-4457 <a href="mailto:kimben@clackamas.us">kimben@clackamas.us</a></p> <p><a href="#">Click here</a> to see slides of her presentation.</p> <p>(A list of service phone #'s will soon be placed on the OGCC website)</p>
<p><b>Old /New Business:</b></p> <p><b>LUART:</b> Mike Schmeer</p>	<p><b>LUART:</b> Mike Schmeer listed several Land Use Application appeals:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 5210 S.E. Roethe Rd - Great concern about the potential tree removal so LUART opposed the appeal</li> </ol> <p>Chips Janger made a motion, 2nd by Jane Civiletti: OGCC shall write a letter to Clackamas Co. Planning Dept. indicating we want to preserve the trees (as many as possible) for the Roethe Road project as well as all of our area. We wish to reiterate the Oak Grove citizens’ desire to maintain the nature of the area with maximum preservation of trees. Motion Passes: 1 abstention - all others voting Yea</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. 12525 S.E.18th Ave in Milwaukie - this river front house wants to put a boat dock on the river. LUART OK’d the request.</li> <li>3. Wagner Lane and Oak Grove Blvd - Original garage standing, the house burned and county approved new construction of dwelling on the property</li> <li>4. Fred Meyer renovation - All renovations are available for citizen review. One special note: New service of Click List shopping will be available for shoppers. This means, after renovation is completed, shoppers will be able to order groceries online and pick them up at the East end of the building where the bottle return is currently located.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Old /New Business:</b></p> <p><b>Concord Partnership:</b> Ron Campbell</p>	<p><b>Concord Partnership:</b> Ron, because of the full agenda and late hour, suggested we skip the Concord update and move to the next agenda item, Oak Lodge/Gladstone Library.</p>
<p><b>Old /New Business:</b></p> <p><b>Oak Lodge/Gladstone Library:</b> Jeff Bornefeld Secty Jennings Lodge CPO</p>	<p><b>Gladstone Oak Lodge Library:</b> Jeff Bornefeld explained concerns about the current Gladstone plan to build a library to serve Gladstone, Oak Grove and Jennings Lodge. The proposed library, (to be built contiguous to the Gladstone city hall), will not be adequate to serve Oak Grove and Jennings Lodge with either size or location. The library will be 13,000 sq. ft. The city hall will be an additional 6,600 sq. feet. The location for both is in downtown Gladstone on Portland Ave.</p> <p>Continued next page ...</p>

<p><b>Old /New Business:</b></p> <p><b>Oak Lodge/Gladstone Library:</b>                  Jeff Bornefeld                  Secty Jennings Lodge                  CPO</p>	<p>Continued ...</p> <p>Furthermore, About 75% of the proposed funding for the Oak Lodge Gladstone library would come from County Library District funds paid by residents of Oak Grove, Jennings Lodge and other unincorporated areas with the remaining 25% coming from Gladstone City citizens. No Gladstone City funding would be used to build or operate the library.</p> <p><b>Motion</b> Presented by Eleanore Hunter, 2nd by Pat Kennedy:</p> <p>Regarding the current state of affairs concerning plans for the Gladstone - Oak Lodge Library:</p> <p>1 – there must be proportional representation based on population and financial contribution with meaningful input for library design, construction and operation.</p> <p>2 –before the end of February, a special meeting will be held for the 29,518 residents of the Oak Lodge Library Service area.</p> <p>3 – The County and the City of Gladstone will not move forward in signing contracts or other legal decisions, financing or design until 1 &amp; 2 are satisfied.</p> <p><b>Results of vote:</b> Unanimous to approve the Motion.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Thelma Haggemiller announced the Oak Lodge/Gladstone Library issue will be discussed at the next <b>CIA meeting, Feb. 10, 2016 at 7 PM, Oak Grove Fire Station.</b></p> <p><b>Action Request:</b> Citizens of OGCC and Jennings Lodge are encouraged to attend <b>Board of County Commissioners meeting Thursday, Feb. 18 at 6 PM in Oregon City.</b> Citizens may voice opinions (3 minute time limit for each statement) during the public comment period.</p>
<p><b>Old /New Business:</b></p> <p><b>Downtown Oak Grove</b>                  Bobbie Paredes Business Owner</p>	<p><b>New Owner of the Oak Grove business strip:</b> Bobbie Paredes reported she has purchased the Oak Grove building housing 9 tenant businesses. She plans to fix the “brick building”, improve signage and make the store fronts look more appealing and consistent. She hopes the improvements will make businesses more successful. She asked the meeting participants to offer suggestions to improve the likelihood of success for our neighborhood businesses.</p>
<p><b>Public Comment:</b></p> <p><b>Watershed Council Tree Sale &amp; Schoolyard Farm</b>                  Terry Gibson</p>	<p><b>Holiday tree Sale:</b> Terry Gibson announced the tree sale was a great success with \$1,000 raised for two watershed councils.</p> <p>Terry also reported the Schoolyard Farms project at New Urban School is on track with ground breaking work scheduled for Feb. 20th.</p>

<p><b>Public Comment:</b>  <b>CERT:</b>                  Ken Wells</p>	<p><b>CERT:</b> Ken Wells cautioned us that we might be living in serious trouble when the “big” earthquake hits. He urges us to be prepared as much as possible.</p>
<p><b>Adjourned</b>  <b>9:00 pm</b></p>	<p><b>Future OGCC General meetings:</b>                  Feb 24   Mar 23   Apr 27   May 25   Jun 22   July 27   Aug 24                  Sept 28   Oct 26   Dec 7</p> <p><b>Future OGCC board meetings (Oak Grove Fire Station, 9 AM):</b>                  Feb 3   Mar 2   Apr 6   May 4   June 1   July 6   Aug 3   Sept 7   Oct 5                  Dec 14</p>
<p><b>Corrections / additions</b></p>	<p>If you have corrections or additions to these minutes, please send to Joan Hamilton email: <a href="mailto:jhamilton@oakgrovecpo.org">jhamilton@oakgrovecpo.org</a> cell 503 360-4711</p>

**KEY:** LUART = Land Use Application Review Team; OGCC = Oak Grove Community Council; PD = Planning Department; F/U = follow up; Re = regarding; MAP = McLoughlin Area Project; LU = land use; .McL = McLoughlin Blvd; CCty = Clackamas County; OG = Oak Grove; ped = pedestrian; EIS = environmental impact statement; RFP = request for proposals; NCPRD = North Clackamas Parks and Recreation Department; NCSD = North Clackamas School District; NCUWC North Clackamas Urban Watershed Council