

OAK LODGE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

CHAIR: ELEANORE HUNTER
RECORDER: CATHERINE BLOSSER

DATE: 2/24/2010
LOCATION: ROSE VILLA

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VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: CATHERINE BLOSSER, VALERIE CHAPMAN, SUE CONACHAN, GEORGE DIETZ, TERRY DOLAN, LYNN FISHER, TOM FOELLER, GERALD FOY, DAVID GREGG, ANNETTE GUARRIELLO, THELMA HAGGENMILLER, ELEANORE HUNTER, CHIPS JANGER, PAT KENNEDY, JIM MARTIN, MARSKE MCENTYRE, GWION MARK MILLER, EDRID RIDDLE, GEORGE SCHNEIDER, EUGENE SCHOENHEIT, SUSAN SHAWN, JULIE STANLEY, CHARLIE STEPHENS, BALDWIN VAN DER BIJL, LEONARD WALDEMAR, WILLIAM WILD

GUESTS: LEAH ROBBINS, CLAUDIA STEINBERG, BARBARA SMOLAK, BARBARA CARTMILL, EBEN POLK, BOB MURCH, RICK DYER, SUSAN MILTON, JAIME STANGEL, SHAR JANGER, DOUG RICHARDSON

KEY: LUC = Land Use Committee; OLCC = Oak Lodge Community Council; PD = Planning Department; F/U = follow up; Re = regarding; MAP = McLoughlin Area Project; LU = land use; EIS = environmental impact study.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION PLAN	DUE DATE	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
		Meeting called to order by Eleanore Hunter at 7:04 PM		
Treasurer's Report (Sue Conachan)	Prior balance: \$474.52 Inputs: January donations: \$29 Outputs: maps/Xeroxing: \$127.26 Doorknob bags: \$44.1 Balance in savings: \$5 Total balance: \$337.09			
Old Minutes		Minutes approved		
Service District Update (Leonard Waldemar, Water District)	Pump station replaced to View Acres area; River Rd. being dug up to replace a 6 inch line with new 8 inch line---will help with capacity. New equipment purchased to check for leaks.			
Sustainability 101 (Eben Polk)	This is a kick off talk for series of talks on sustainability. The core concepts are not new—using/developing resources to meet current and future needs pertaining to the environment, social and economic (EES); having a resilient community through tough times. If you have a sustainable community, you have much to draw on. Keep mindful of natural constraints and play within the rules of			

	<p>the earth system game...builds in longevity. Asset management; social capacity; built infrastructure, environment infrastructure...like a bank account. How do we get there? Need to think systematically; there are connections between the three parts. System needs to be thought of holistically—parts connect. Align aspirations to fit the social/environmental/economic restraints. Rules of success have been shortsighted—they need to be redefined. Rules of thumb for needed transitions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Move to use land efficiently (e.g., use of empty lots to make them productive; encouraging more mixed uses; increased densities perhaps; increase use of yards for habitat; “20 min.” neighborhoods; reducing single occupancy vehicles; conserving water use)2) Zero waste (e.g., use rain instead of piping it away; closing a loop so that we don’t throw things away and putting it into landfills; deconstruction of houses rather than demolition; composting; design products better. This goes way beyond current Recycling.3) Use of renewal energy rather than fossil fuels (e.g., buying renewable energy; wind/solar/human power)4) Use of abundant and natural materials (e.g., making own cleaning products; less chemicals used, including pesticides)5) Purchase products from well managed ecosystems (e.g., eat Pacific halibut; buy lumber harvested sustainably)6) Promote safer living/working environment			
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	<p>7) People have sufficient resources to meet their needs—look regionally for equality of access and opportunity (not just for food/shelter, but for freedom)</p> <p>County is working towards sustainability values—not fully integrated now.</p> <p>Q: Who holds PGE accountable?</p> <p>A. Public Utility Commission. My understanding that all money from sustainable resources supposed to go into a fund.</p> <p>Comment: Susan Shawn: asked this question of PGE—they said the same as the answer above; you can get a report from PGE.</p> <p>Q: County should be using filter of sustainability, but what is being done to spread the word?</p> <p>A. Give Eben a call if have concerns; training program is available; some depts. doing a better job than others (he brought a concept plan for affordable housing near Holcomb in Oregon City). Important for citizens to ask the County this. Refer to Cty. Resolution and Action Plans.</p> <p>Q: Pat Kennedy: so, is this Resolution a mission statement?</p> <p>A. County has a mission statement that includes use of sustainability goal.</p> <p>Comment: Refer to the OLCC website for these documents</p> <p>Q: Constant tension between what a government wants to do and what citizens will support, but jurisdictions in US are designing and using materials to last a long time and be sustainable; is there a discussion going on that will produce new development standards?</p> <p>A: Planning Dept. Looking at new ways to address ZDOs to encourage these things.</p> <p>Oregon State Building Services Division</p>			
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	<p>working to identify greener options (e.g., water reuse code; deconstruction of some Cty. owned buildings) that local governments could adopt. Comment: CPOs could participate in these new sustainability concepts regarding ZDOs</p> <p>Q. What is the source of the above 7 transitions?</p> <p>A. Small piece of training; from Natural Step (has four principles, but Cty. embellished on them).</p>			
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<p>Tri-Met Park Ave. Station Conceptual Design Update (Claudia Steinberg; Leah Robbins)</p>	<p>Provided update: 30% design almost ready to be revealed. Metro doing final EIS, including mitigation. Confirm budget, financing plan....to go into final design. Schedule: final design Oct. 2010, ready to start building in 2012, but portions could start being built before 2012 (Willamette River Bridge). Showed design poster board. Public Open House tomorrow 4:30-7:30 PM at Milwaukie HS tomorrow. Conceptual Design Report available that is more layperson-friendly----available on-line. Effort has been placed on: character of station (March 18th grant will be announced, for which was applied); structure built into the existing topography; natural/riparian plantings; greening of the structure itself; less parking spaces to 600, from 1000, to decrease impact of traffic in area and “ramp” is gone; structure will be built so that more floors could be added in the future; skylight to bring light into the structure; design for ground floor rooms for use of transit security or café, or??. No walkway across McLoughlin; MAX comes down Westside of McLoughlin and stops on north side of Park Ave. Trolley Trail will be to the west of the station.</p> <p>Q: On eastside, what sort of traffic considerations given to coming up the McLoughlin grade?</p> <p>A. 10% from eastside; 40%, from the south (Oregon City)---full signals at SE Oatfield and Park Ave. with sidewalks.</p> <p>Q. Car lot goes at corner of Park and McLoughlin?</p> <p>A. Yes, plus the car repair facility; won't be buying these properties until agreement from Feds comes in. We are identifying which properties need to be acquired and when. We have communicated already to property</p>			
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<p>Committee Reports</p>	<p><i>Outreach/Membership</i>, Jim Martin: 11 people volunteered to “leaflet.” We can use more. So far, 1200 leaflets handed out.</p>			
	<p><i>Sustainability/Local Aspirations</i>, Ed Riddle & Wm. Wild: Had a combined meeting with Sustainability and Local Aspirations; about 20 people came. Learned a lot about people’s interests and background. Meeting was energetic, good conversations. Group wants to be proactive and choose an activity and target to work on. Goals of each committee were discussed; people wanted to expand on the original definitions---focus on what was happening with our land use decisions and build on that. And, to take some broader initiative on sustainability. A lot of work for both groups with some overlap; will be meeting jointly to cover mutual topics and then break out into two separate groups, then come back together at end of meeting. So, working in tandem until they are better defined as separate groups.</p> <p>Q. Any sense from sustainability side, any sense people wanted to address more than land use?</p> <p>A. Yes, but not specifically; we identified need for more education/training relating to sustainable initiatives we could take (e.g., community garden). Both groups still open for membership.</p>			
<p>Land Use Application Review Team (Terry Dolan)</p>	<p>Z0005-10: 4662 Aldercrest Rd., a variance from setback standard for turning existing garage into residential unit, but garage front is forward of the front of the house, and, therefore needs a variance to allow this forward variation. No visuals presented.</p> <p>Comment: Julie Stanley: requests visuals always be available at meetings in order to see what LUART is talking about and make an informed decision.</p>	<p>Motion to approve variance 1st Ed Riddle 2nd Lynn Fisher Vote: 25 --1 (George Schneider)--- 0</p>		

	Z0065-19: 2416 SE Maple St., a renewal of a Home Occupation Permit to operate a bookkeeping business. Home Occupation permit comes up for renewal every three years.	Motion to approve: 1 st Chips Janger 2 nd William Wild Vote: 25---0 ----1 (George Schneider)		
	Update on pending land use decisions: 1) No decision fro Hearings Officer yet on the fee-in-lieu of sidewalk construction at Kellogg Ave. 2) Harmony Rd. storage units: extension approved by City of Milwaukie			
	Public Hearings to amendments to Comprehensive Plan and ZDOs: Do we want the OLCC to respond as a body to any of these? Could say we support these efforts without going into the specifics. 1). File ZDO-219, <i>Draft Tree Ordinance before Planning Commission</i> , Monday, March 22, 6:30 PM. Language in Comp. Plan and 12 separate ZDOS being proposed. We have scheduled a review of this next Monday (March 1 7-9 PM, Fire Station) and Wednesday (March 3, 7-9 site not determined) to analyze draft and draw Planning Commission's attention to certain aspects of the Draft. We may not finish in a single night. Plan is to write a letter to the Planning Commission to have OLCC letter a week prior to the March 22 nd hearing. We will need a vote of the OLCC to approve a letter from us after the CIA meeting in March or at another meeting on March 17th. Jerry Foy: BCC will meet June 9 th to consider Planning Commission's recommendations. Wm Wild: thinks March 17 th better, rather than sticking it on tail of CIA. Chips Janger: no matter what, OLCC needs to give public testimony at the hearing on March	1). Eleanore Hunter will send out notice about these two meetings; draft will be on website with special meeting to vote on the letter after the March CIA meeting. If people really interested in discussing what goes into the letter, they need to come to the two meetings and do their homework.		

	<p>22nd. Leonard Waldemar, member of Planning Commission: recommends sending letter in 1 week prior to public hearing and then testifying to the points as well. Pat Kennedy: send in plenty of illustrations along with the letter Valerie Chapman: authorize the people doing the work to write the letter; we don't need to meet as a body to approve. Post the draft of the letter and let people comment rather than meet again. Eleanore Hunter: we can't vote by email. Jerry Foy: I think we need to vote Baldwin van der Bijl: compromise---can there be a written vote? Bernard Masterson: post letter and then after CIA just let people vote (they can have viewed the letter and commented beforehand). Ed Riddle: draft will be up on the website for comments Guest, Susan Milton: how do we know the feelings of the whole Oak Lodge area? Susan Shawn: The tree ordinance actually represents the whole unincorporated area within UGB, so we can only represent the OLCC gathered here.</p> <p>2). File ZDO-222, <i>new language to preserve and protect ground water in rural, unincorporated CCty.</i> Planning Commission, March 8, 6:30 PM; this is also before the BCC Wed., April 21, 6:30 PM. Bernard Masterson: restrictions should be in place to regulate water intensive uses in rural areas to preserve ground water resources. Gwion Mark Miller: vague language---without digging into it, hard to comment AND we aren't affected. Chips Janger: hard to have faith in what Cty. is</p>	<p>2)Consensus of group was to not formally reply from OLCC about</p>		
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	<p>going to do to preserve groundwater without more information. Annette Guarriello: need for sewer systems in rural areas, and this may be part of this. Charlie Stephens: would not to say anything other than we support the overall goals of these language proposals.</p> <p>3). File ZDO-223: <i>new language to align Cty with Oregon Administrative Rule Chapter 660</i>; adds definition of rural reserves. Before Planning Commission and BCC at same time as #2 above.</p>	<p>222</p> <p>3) Consensus was to not formally reply from OLCC about 223</p>		
<p>Public Comment</p>	<p>Eleanore Hunter: Anybody that hasn't filled out the MAP questionnaire? Do so---has paper copies or submit on-line Susan Shawn: over 500 questionnaires submitted so far. Thelma Haggemiller: reported on construction so far on the Trolley Trail; all logs 12 feet or greater being saved for log-carved art. Friends of the Trolley Trail purchased 28 trees for \$15 a piece (15-30 ft.high) for eventually being planted along the "double Aristas" section on the TT.</p>			
<p>Meeting Updates</p>	<p>CIA: Urban Renewal 101, March 10th</p>			

& General Announcements	OLCC: March 24 Ed Riddle: Open Mike Night 7-10 PM at Oak Grove Coffee House Wm Wild: Rumors , next Rex Putnam play with Everett Wild in it.			
		Meeting adjourned at: 9: 11 PM		