

Rhododendron CPO Minutes

July 21, 2018

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Trees Room

Open Meeting:

President Steve Graeper called the meeting to order at 10:36AM. He welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. There was a quorum with all 5 Board members present. 22 members of the community signed the sign-in sheet (available on request). Graeper introduced the members of the Board, John Young, Mike Miskowicz, Sharon Lamoreaux and Michelle Lamoreaux.

Secretary's Report:

Graeper reported that the minutes for the July 21, 2018 meeting had been posted in the Rhododendron post office and were emailed to the membership. Graeper called for corrections or additions. Merv Novinger made and John Young seconded **a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. The motioned passed unanimously.**

Treasurer's Report:

Sharon Lamoreaux gave the Treasurer's report. In all CPO accounts combined the ending balance, as of September 15 was \$2,793.84.

Land Use Reports:

Graeper clarified a land use issue reported at the July meeting regarding a PGE tower. He explained that the letter sent by Clackamas County, which was used at the July meeting contained erroneous information. The letter of support to Clackamas County was not sent as a result.

Guest Speaker:

President Graeper introduced the newly appointed Mt. Hood National Forest Supervisor, Mr. Richard Periman. Periman spoke on a number of topics of interest to the area. Primarily, his comments focused on the current forest fire danger in the Mt. Hood National Forest, the recent mountain lion issue, forest service road budgets, forest cabin fees, and forest service logging policies to allow cleanup and removal of understory to help prevent forest fire. His comments were well received and his talking points are attached.

Old Business/Committee Reports:

Revel Marathon committee report: Mike Miskowicz presented volunteers with medals and reported the marathon will take place again next year on June 29.

Chamber of Commerce Report: Graeper introduced Chamber Vice President, Coni Scott who gave the Chamber report. She commented on how successful the marathon was and presented the idea of making next year's marathon a mountain wide event with various groups participating and extending the event to be a weekend long event. Perhaps it would be called The Mt. Hood Marathon of Fun!

The CPO discussed participation and was in favor of perhaps making the Rhododendron Festival a part of this weekend long event. It will be discussed at the next Rhody Rising steering committee meeting.

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Rhododendron Garden Report: Merv Novinger gave the garden report. He thanked all the volunteers who helped in the garden this year. The garden watering hose will be put away for the winter.

Road Clean up Report: Carol Haugk reported on road cleanup projects she and others have performed in the area.

Clackamas County CPO Summit Report: Graeper reported that the CPO Summit met in August. Increased Code enforcement was the topic.

Rhody Rising Subcommittee Report:

Graeper reported on meetings he has had with ODOT. A gateway entry sign is a good possibility on ODOT Right-of-Way with an application from Clackamas County.

T-Shirt sales are going very well. \$20.00 per shirt.

Fund Raising for Rhody Rising continues. RR is only \$500 short of reaching the \$10,000 goal. Profits from the T-shirt sales will go to benefit the RR effort.

New Business

Mt. Hood Marathon: A committee will be formed to help organize the June 29 Rhododendron Festival

Merv Novinger mentioned the Mt. Times article about the need for a CPO in the Welches area and thanked Steve and Sharon and others who have worked hard to make the Rhododendron CPO a great organization.

Adjournment

Graeper stated the next Rhododendron CPO meeting would be held November 17, 2018 at 10:30AM, likely at The Resort, room to be announced.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:01PM

Respectfully submitted,
Temporary recording secretary Steve Graeper