

Rhododendron Community Planning Organization

Meeting Minutes

Saturday, November 17, 2018

10:30AM

MT. HOOD OREGON RESORT

Foliage Room

Open Meeting:

President Steve Graeper called the meeting to order at 10:45AM. He welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. There was a quorum with all 5 Board members present. 14 signed the sign-in sheet (available on request). Graeper introduced the Board members, John Young, Mike Miskowicz, Sharon Lamoreaux and Michelle Lamoreaux.

Secretary's Report:

Graeper reported that the minutes for the September 15, 2018 meeting had been posted in the Rhododendron post office and were emailed to the membership. Graeper called for corrections or additions. Graeper indicated the date on the header was incorrect and has been corrected. **Ray Ambling** made and **Michelle Lamoreaux** 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 November 17 was \$2,982.

Land Use Reports:

Graeper reported that Mitch Williams attended the meeting on the Clackamas County Timber sale. By all reports the meeting was well attended, cordial and informative.

Old Business/Committee Reports:

Rhododendron Garden Report: Mike Miskowicz gave the garden report. He did the last mowing of the season and winterized the watering hose.

Carol Haugk inquired about the ODOT regulations for the Adopt a Landscape program and was going to call ODOT Permitting to obtain a copy of the regulations to insure we are in compliance.

Road Clean up Report: Carol Haugk reported on road cleanup projects she and others have performed in the area. John Young was pointed out for helping with road cleanup.

Chamber of Commerce Report: Graeper introduced Chamber Vice President, Coni Scott who gave the Chamber report. She announced the Volunteer Recognition Breakfast to be held December 4, at 8AM. Clackamas County Bank sponsors the breakfast, which is organized by the Chamber.

She also announced the CPR class to be held December 11 at the Hoodland Fire Station and that there will be no Chamber meeting in January.

Ms. Scott passed around a proposed brochure she is designing about the bird watching opportunities around the area and requested opinions.

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CPO Summit: There have been no CPO Summit meetings. Next meeting is in January.

New Business

*New Mirror Lake Trail Head-*Graeper reported on the new Mirror Lake Trail Head ribbon cutting he attended last week. He highly recommends visiting the new trail head and walking the new 2-mile trail. Many improvements have been incorporated into the trail, including 6 new bridges and handicap access. The old parking area on 26 has been eliminated and the collaborative effort between ODOT and the Forest Service was outstanding.

Revel Marathon committee: The Rhody Rising subcommittee met after the last CPO meeting and concurred that the CPO and Rhody Rising should form a committee to organize the CPO's participation in a Rhododendron Festival in conjunction with the Revel Marathon, which will take place June 29, 2019.

Mike Miskowicz volunteered to head the committee and work with Thia Allen and the Rhody Rising subcommittee in organizing the CPO participation.

*Commissioner Humberston meeting-*Commissioner Humberston will be holding his last Hoodland Community meeting of the year on December 7 at 9AM at the Hoodland Fire Station.

*Secretary Resignation-*Michelle Lamoreaux has asked to step down from her position on the CPO Board. That leaves an opening on the CPO Board for Secretary. Graeper opened the meeting for nominations. There were none. Nominations will be open again at the January meeting and a vote to fill the position will be held assuming there are nominations.

Rhody Rising Subcommittee Report:

Sharon Lamoreaux had a question about the grant application process for Rhody Rising. Graeper explained that the fund-raising effort was the CPO's demonstration to show potential grant funders that the community is behind the Rhody Rising effort conceptually and financially.

Graeper explained that the Rhody Rising effort is now part of the Clackamas County Long Range Work Plan. The County is actively working with the Rhody Rising subcommittee and is in the process of applying for an ODOT Transportation Growth Management Rapid Response grant.

The RR committee is also working with the county and ODOT in an effort to obtain a gateway entry sign to be placed in the Rhododendron Community Garden area. The possibility of a gateway entry sign contest was discussed.

The Snowline Motel property figures prominently in Rhododendron plans. There are three Steiner Cabins on the Snowline property. The Mt. Hood Cultural Center, the Rhody Rising subcommittee and Snowline Motel owners are working on a plan to move one of the Steiner's up to the Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum. These are exciting times for the museum and Rhododendron.

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Other New Business

Some additional Rhododendron T-Shirts needed to be ordered to fill in for sizes that sold out. Graeper presented a bill from Enthusiast Media Group in the amount of \$301. **Sharon Lamoreaux** moved and **Carol Haugk** seconded **a motion to pay the Enthusiast Media invoice for \$301.00 from Rhody Rising funds.** Motion carried unanimously.

Linny Adamson asked about the pipe laying along Road 20. Graeper explained that is the pipe to be placed under Highway 26 between Henry Creek Road and Road 20.

There was also a question about the weight limits on the Road 20 Zig Zag Bridge and if there is anything being done about the closed Road 20 Bridge over Still Creek. Graeper indicated the Forest Service is aware and he will continue inquiring about the bridges with the Forest Service.

Adjournment

Graeper stated the next Rhododendron CPO meeting would be held January 19, 2019 at 10:30AM, likely at The Resort, room to be announced.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:51AM

Respectfully submitted,
Judi Graeper (Temporary recording secretary)