

Rhododendron CPO  
Minutes Zig Zag Inn  
Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Graeper at 10:30 am. President Graeper stated that a quorum was present.

**Secretary Report**

Sharon Lamoreaux moved to dispense with the reading of the May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013 minutes – Michelle seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sharon moved that the minutes be approved as written. Barbara Novinger seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**Treasurers Report**

Treasurer Sharon Lamoreaux gave the Treasurer's report. As of 9/21/2013 the CPO has \$489.34 in the General Fund and \$44.57 in the Garden Fund. Sharon reported that the CPO not for profit status was still on hold. Sharon has been in contact with the IRS. The IRS now has our correct tax ID number. We are in the process of changing our name from Rhododendron Neighborhood Association to Rhododendron CPO.

**Guest Speaker**

President Graeper introduced Coni Scott, President of the Mt. Hood Chamber of Commerce. Coni thanked the Rhododendron CPO for joining the chamber. Coni explained how the chamber functioned and how we can work together. She presented a handy map of our area for a guide to tourists. The chamber has been awarded a \$20,000.00 grant from the Federal Government to be applied towards attracting tourism to our area. Coni stated that citizens of the area are encouraged to go to the chamber and share suggestions encouraging tourism. Steve introduced Mary Ellen of the Government Camp CPO. She shared some of the issues that the Government Camp CPO was facing.

**Old Business**

Merv Novinger gave an update on the Rhody Garden. He and Barbara had obtained a permit to transplant shrubbery from the forest to the Rhody Garden. The permit for the garden has been updated for the next two years. They thanked those that have helped this season. Barbara once again thanked Coni and the chamber for the \$500.00 donation. Steve asked Coni if there was a possibility of getting another donation. She said we could approach the chamber and tie the garden into tourism. Coni gave a \$10.00 gift certificate from Boring Bark for garden supplies. On Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> there will be a class given on winterizing the garden presented at the senior center.

Steve Graeper reported that the CPO boundary changes have been put on the back burner. He presented a 50 page document dealing with the change. Mary Ellen shared some of the problems the Government Camp CPO has had with the county in regards to their boundary and annexing issues.

Michelle Lamoreaux thanked Greg Bergman for his help in handing our bear problem pamphlets. Mary Ellen asked how we were coming on our Code Enforcement Committee. Steve said that since Mike was not here, it was on hold.

### **New Business**

There were no land issues at this time.

Sharon Lamoreaux reported on the flood information meeting. She told the CPO how to get in touch with FEMA.

Sharon asked about the scenic highway sign. There was nothing new to report.

Since there was no further business, Sharon moved to adjourn the meeting – Michelle seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 A.M. The next CPO meeting will be held on November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013 time and place to be announced.

Respectfully submitted,

Merv Novinger - Secretary