

**Rhododendron CPO Minutes  
Hoodland Fire Department  
November 21, 2015**

Steve Graeper called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. It was determined a quorum was present and Steve thanked everyone for attending. Steve also thanked Sharon Lamoreaux for chairing the September 19 meeting.

**Secretary Report:**

Steve called for a reading of the September 19, 2015 meeting minutes. Barbara Novinger made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Nancy Dougherty seconded the motion. The motion carried. Sharon Lamoreaux moved to approve the minutes as written. Carol Haugk seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Vice President/Treasurer Sharon Lamoreaux gave the treasurer's report. The starting balance of both funds (General and Garden) as of September 19, 2015 is \$646.69 as follows:

	\$646.69	Balance carried forward
Contributions:	\$150.00	Mt. Hood Chamber
	\$250.00	Hoodland Women's Club
	<u>\$ 17.00</u>	General Contributions
	<b>\$1063.69</b>	<b>Total</b>
Checks Written:	(\$386.00)	Ed DeVito – Shed
	<u>(\$ 35.00)</u>	Mt. Hood Chamber Fee
	<b>\$642.69</b>	<b>Current Balance</b>
Divided as follows:	\$482.47	General Fund
	<u>\$160.22</u>	Garden Fund
Ending Balance:	<b>\$642.69</b>	

Nancy moved to reimburse Merv and Barbara Novinger \$42.35 for garden supplies. Linny Adamson seconded the motion, and the motion passed. Steve moved to reimburse Carol \$38.00 for the shed repair. Barbara seconded the motion, and the motion passed. Sharon made a motion to pay Ed DeVito \$90.79 for completion of the shed. Linny seconded the motion, and the motion passed. Barbara moved to reimburse Carol \$25.33 for finishing the new shed. Linny seconded the motion, and the motion passed. Sharon also informed the CPO of two donations. There was a \$40.00 contribution from the Trillium Trails Garden Club and a \$50.00 contribution from Steve Graeper & Graeper Enterprises.

Steve reported on the new check signing procedure for the CPO. In the future, we will only need one signature instead of two. The authorized signers are Steve Graeper and Sharon Lamoreaux. Steve moved to change the signing to one signature. Carol seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

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### **Old Business:**

The Federal Grant to update the Swinging Bridge was not approved. Steve reported that Clackamas County was seeking \$350,000.00 to repair the bridge. Barbara gave the Rhododendron garden report. Merv gave the garden one last mowing, and Carol and Barbara did some final weeding as well as litter pick-up. Marlene at ODOT would like an updated map of the garden. It was noted that the garden should not become a memorial garden. Carol asked for volunteers to clean the Swinging Bridge. Merv and Barbara volunteered to help.

### **CPO Boundary Change Update:**

Steve announced that he has a meeting scheduled with Barbara Smolak from Clackamas County to discuss this issue. He hoped to have news at our next meeting. The new boundary would pick up all cabins to Road 39 and down to Faubian Loop.

### **Road Clean-Up:**

Carol reported that she had spent 3½ hours on road clean up. Merv and Barbara assisted Carol on the October 20 highway clean up. Carol also spent time in the Tollgate area doing additional clean up.

### **Storage Shed:**

Steve suggested that we put a small plaque on the shed designating its purpose. Sharon asked Carol to get an estimate as to what it would cost to paint the shed.

### **October/November Chamber of Commerce Meetings:**

Steve introduced Coni Scott, president of the Mt. Hood Area Chamber of Commerce. Coni informed the CPO of the upcoming Chamber breakfast on Tuesday, November 24. The Chamber is doing a campaign for promoting business on the mountain. It is called, "Bring Snow to the Mountain." Businesses on the mountain who are participating will have a snowflake in their window and will be giving a 15% discount on goods or services.

Sharon spoke on the CPO not for profit status. The CPO is exempt from federal income taxes and bank fees. The CPO also receives a discount on membership fees. Sharon also read our CPO mission statement. The CPO is protected from personal liability, but cannot donate to political campaigns or property enhancement. Merv asked for a copy of the Rhododendron CPO mission statement.

Barbara and Nancy asked what we could do for the memory of Dale Crockett. It was suggested that perhaps a donation could be given to the Dale Crockett Cancer Fund.

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### **New Business:**

Rhododendron Community Enhancement Program: Steve stated that one of his goals was to upgrade the core area of Rhododendron along the lines of Government Camp. He stated that this would be on his agenda when he had his meeting with Barbara Smolak. In the past, the CPO had brought up the idea of an overpass or underground tunnel for crossing Highway 26 in Rhododendron. Steve said he would report to the CPO as to his meeting with Barbara Smolak. Michelle Lamoreaux gave a report on the Mt. Hood Bike and Pedestrian Implementation Committee. Michelle will let Steve know when the next public meeting would be held and he would email the CPO.

Since there was no further business, Merv moved to adjourn the meeting. Nancy seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

### **Next Rhododendron CPO Meeting:**

\*January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 10:00 a.m. at Hoodland Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Merv Novinger, Secretary