

# Villages at Mt Hood

## Work Session

May 13,2008

The May work session of Villages at Mt Hood was called to order at 3:00pm by Chair Nancy Dougherty.

Present: Nancy Dougherty, Robert Baker, Pat Buckley, Judith Norval and Bob Reeves,

Excused: Rick Applegate, Shirley Dueber, Brigitte Romeo and Barbara Saldivar

**Discussion Topics:** May Town Hall, Invitation to potluck with TAP group, legacy sign, marketing and safety committees.

May Town Hall: agenda will include short business meeting, break to celebrate 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Villages, forum with candidates for Board of County Commissioners and Sheriff.

- Bob Reeves will deliver short synopsis of past two years, including meetings featuring speakers about water issues in the area; Community Center planning; recycling depot; development of legacy signs, Mt Express; and upcoming rummage sale sponsored by Women's Club to benefit the Mt Express.
- Brigitte recommended someone to make special cake for Town Hall, cost \$75.00 to feed 100 people. Rick will donate coffee and condiments as usual.
- Christine Chin-Ryan will moderate forum, Board will submit questions in advance, index cards will be available for public to submit their questions. Tight time limits on responses from candidates are necessary to insure that more questions can be answered by candidates. All candidates invited, two Sheriff candidates and 9 Commissioner candidates have responded and will attend.
- Coni Scott has invited the Villages' Board to join the TAP group for a potluck dinner at her house. She will provide spaghetti, TAP group will provide salad and bread and has asked Villages Board to bring dessert. Discussion about appropriateness of attending meeting in a private home followed. Attending- Judith Norval, Nancy Dougherty, Pat Buckley and Robert Baker. Unable or uninterested in attending- Barbara Saldivar, Bob Reeves, Rick Applegate

- Brigitte has been voted onto the TAP group as a board member filling a specifically designated position for restaurants
- Nancy will appoint a rep to TAP after the bylaws are changed and during a regular meeting.
- Signage Gary Randall was present to show designs. Judith asked if a public process has begun. Nancy said no and explained the process up to then. The Board will begin an open process to solicit a logo design and website. Gary recommended the process begin soon.
- Rick felt a Marketing Committee was needed. Chris will talk to County Counsel to clarify issues with logo use and possible trademark concerns.
- Gary suggested the Board investigate grants and funding available through the Forest Service and Clackamas County Tourism and Cultural Affairs. Rick mentioned multiple agencies that have tourism related marketing dollars available and said the Villages need to apply for them.
- Nancy asked Robert if he would be willing to be appointed as Villages representative to TAP group. Robert said yes. He will be appointed at June 3<sup>rd</sup> board meeting.
- Safety Committee- Pat Buckley and Robert Baker met with Matt Ellington to discuss law enforcement issues such as speed and patrol coverage on the mountain. Pat will continue to discuss these and other issues with the Sheriff's office. Outreach to Timberline Rim was discussed. Another effort will be made to ask for their participation in the Villages activities. Pat will provide crime statistics for the area at the next meeting.
- Group discussion of the importance of keeping as much business local as possible. There was agreement that this was very important.
- Robert contacted the Ranger from Zig Zag Ranger Station. He asked if the ranger would be willing to make presentation to Villages Town Hall. Robert suggested a list of questions for him be composed and ask how the Forest Service related to the Villages area and how there might be increased cooperation. Ranger will have one hour to present.
- Rick asked if District 52 House candidates could be present. Chris said yes. All candidates will be invited to participate. A discussion ensued about how to conduct a future forum in August. There will be at most two commissioner races and the Dist. 52 House candidates. Nancy suggested

that Christine Chin-Ryan moderate again.

- Work session scheduling- Judith asked if the work sessions could be moved to Strategic Planning meeting time and the SPO would meet as an ad hoc committee, not as a regularly scheduled meeting. SPO would meet when there are topics to be discussed. Everyone liked the idea of changing the meeting time so more board members could participate. Motion and vote will take place at June board meeting.
- Pat inquired about what the board plans to do about follow up with the water meetings. Chris reported about a letter from the Thurman's requesting county intervention to obtain water hookups. The County declined to become involved in this matter. Everyone agreed that the issue of water will not go away, but will continue to be a critical one. The Board will continue to become informed and follow the issues, but not become directly involved in it.
- Chris answered Judith's question about Sandy having a water right and taking water from the Salmon River. She also commented that the State Legislature will likely have much to say about water issues in the 2009 Legislative Session.
- Chris asked if the Board wanted to participate in the Oregon 150<sup>th</sup> Centennial. Gary Randall may be willing to design a postal cancellation for the Villages and have all three post offices participate. The Board indicated some interest and will discuss it at a later time.

Meeting adjourned at 4:24pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Roth  
Temporary interim Recording Secretary