

VILLAGES AT MOUNT HOOD
WORK SESSION

Notes
September 11, 2008

Chair Bob Reeves called the September work session of the Board of Directors of the Villages at Mount Hood to order at 7:06 pm at the Hoodland Fire District meeting room, 69634 E. Hwy 26, Welches, OR.

Attendance:

- ❖ Committee Members Present: Bob Reeves, Nancy Dougherty, Pat Buckley, Judith Norval, Shirley Dueber
- ❖ Excused: Robert Baker
- ❖ Absent: Brigette Romeo, Rick Applegate
- ❖ Staff Present: Christine Roth (County Liaison), Kate Roth (Recording Secretary)

Approval of Work Session Notes:

The notes from the August work session were presented for review. Shirley Dueber moved to approve the minutes and Nancy Dougherty seconded. Vote: approved, 5 – yes, 0 – no, 0 – abstain.

Policy Manual

The first draft of the policy manual and a progress report were presented to the board for review and feedback. For the first draft the goal was for specific policies to be stated. The numbers were off for 7 and 8, which will be corrected in a later version. Also, the policies are not in any specific order. Hoodland Fire District's manual was the basis for the policy manual, which was a standard format that was approved for a Special District. In the next draft there will be a table of contents that Christine Roth will create.

Pat Buckley asked about a board attendance policy, and Bob Reeves and Nancy Dougherty agreed that the issue should be pursued. The Board agreed that there should be a written statement, perhaps with a limit of three unexcused absences.

The Board decided to remove “rule” from each of the pages because it was not relevant and there was nothing in that category.

There was a discussion about organizational meetings with regard to a May election and a June organizational meeting. The agreement was that it had nothing to do with the fiscal year, which Judith Norval raised as an issue. The board considered the idea of elections in May with the board taking office in July, which would be in conjunction with the beginning of the fiscal year in July.

Having reached a consensus on sending this to the board, Judith Norval moved to forward the policy manual to the board meeting, and Nancy Dougherty seconded. Vote: approved, 5 – yes, 0 – no, 0 – abstain.

Information Center and letter to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC)

Judith Norval presented a draft letter about the information center. The idea would be that it could be a home for the Chamber of Commerce, and would be profitable. Other suggestions were made for the letter from board members; such as it would be a good first step and why it is important to the Villages.

Board members also discussed where the current information centers for tourism are located and how money could be shifted to the new center. The idea for staffing a new center on the west side of the mountain would be for two part-time employees who would cover the seven-day week.

After a discussion over to whom the letter would be directed, the board decided that it would be sent to all the Commissioners and “cc-ed” to Linda Bell (tourism) and Tim Morgan.

Update on Library Measure

Bob Reeves presented e-mail from Rick Applegate on the library measure. Judith Norval felt that the letter was against the rules to say that a village asked for something without board approval. Bob Reeves suggested that talking to the assessor’s office might be useful because they could have better calculations. He also asked that everyone focus on facts rather than where the money is going; moreover, he asked that the board not take action until after the survey results from the *Mountain Times* come in. Doris Grolbert, the county library director, presented information to the Hoodland Women’s Club and the Villages Board members reviewed the presentation and questions asked.

Board Issues

- ❖ Shirley Dueber talked about Government Camp being different from the Villages for a variety of reasons. The board also discussed how Government Camp does not seem to be interested in the library like the Villages are, and the unique issues they face.
- ❖ There was a discussion about the October work session due to the fact that it is on the same week as the Board of Directors meeting. Consensus of the board was to keep it at the same time and day. There will be Town Hall planning at this meeting.
- ❖ Pat Buckley and Nancy Dougherty had a water issues meeting with David Jacob, a local civil engineer. Nancy Dougherty has typed up the minutes of the meeting and is willing to distribute them as needed.
- ❖ Kirk returned to tell the Board that he is not going to use the garden center for his proposed recycling center.

- Bob asked that he talk to the code people and when he has a place lined up the discussion could continue further.

Adjournment:

Chair Bob Reeves adjourned the meeting at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kate Roth
Recording Secretary

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