

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS COUNCIL OF CLARK COUNTY

MEETING NOTES

NOVEMBER 8, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Doug Ballou at 7 p.m. Those in attendance were: Doug Ballou; Dick Clairmont, CC Railroad Advisory Board; Bud Van Cleve, NE Hazel Dell; Jonnie Hyde, CC Public Health; Sandra Bennett, East Fork Frontier; Jim & Marelyn Curtis, Truman; Dave Cush, Vancouver Treatment Solutions; Jim Fisher, Fern Prairie; Fred Abraham, CC Railroad Coordinator; Neil Chambers, Andresen St. Johns; Milada Allen, Felida; Susan Gilbert, Enterprise/Paradise Point; Rob Guttridge, CC Environmental Services; Holly Gaya, CCPIO; George Vartanian Fairground; Elizabeth Jordan, Vancouver/Clark Parks & Rec; Art Stubbs, Green Meadows Avril Massey, N. Salmon Creek; Brian Turner, Vancouver Treatment Solutions; Paul Scarpelli, Salmon Creek; Stephan Abramson, Pleasant Highlands

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Blue Ribbon Commission for Parks is having a meeting on November 9 at the Luepke Sr. Center from 6-8 p.m. to discuss the challenges facing them due to budget cuts.

The Regional Transportation Council will hold an open house on the Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment on Tuesday, November 16 from 4:30 – 6 p.m. at the CC Public Service Center lobby to provide information on a proposed amendment to the MTP to incorporate the recommendations of adopted C-TRAN and High Capacity Transit plans and to clarify plans for SR-14 in the Washougal area.

Proposed code changes will be heard by the BOCC at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, November 23 on a proposal to increase the number of permitted uses in retail and service developments along major arterials. It will be held on the 6th floor of the Public Service Center.

The County prepares to end difficult 2009-2010 budget cycle on track with relatively minor adjustments in accounting and technical changes for the period ending Dec. 31.

FRED ABRAHAM – Fred announced that he is leaving his position with the County to take a job in New Haven, Ct. He thanked everyone for their participation in railroad issues and the NACCC Board thanked him for his continued good work and support of neighborhoods. Mark McCauley will be handling Fred's responsibilities until a replacement can be hired.

CMAC – Milada Allen and Sue Lintz volunteered to serve as CMAC representatives of NACCC at a prior meeting. Milada stated that CMAC has requested written

notification to recognize NACCC as a community partner. Doug Ballou, as NACCC Chairman, took the assignment to prepare and send a written notification to CMAC.

GUEST SPEAKERS:

DAVE CUSH, VANCOUVER TREATMENT SOLUTIONS – They are marking their 5th anniversary here in Vancouver. Brian Turner will be the new Director. The largest age group they are serving right now is between 25 and 34 and they presently have 240 patients with a capacity to handle 350 patients per State of Washington License. The facility only handles private pay clients, with 75% from Clark County, 22% from Cowlitz County and 2% from the Portland area.

JONNIE HYDE – CLARK COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH – Earlier this year, the BOCC/Board of Health charged Public Health with adding a Health Chapter to the revision of the Comprehensive Plan for 2014. It will focus on how land use and the built environment impact human health and will suggest changes that could promote a healthier community. There will be about 13 chapters included. NACCC membership authorized the sending of a letter of support to the Board of Clark County Commissioners regarding the addition of a Health Chapter of the Comprehensive Growth Management Plan. This action was taken by Doug Ballou, NACCC Chairman.

SUSAN GILBERT – RE-TOOLING OUR CODE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE – Susan reported that Batch 1 has been included in the code and batch 2 will be broken down into two parts. She went over each of the codes that will be heard before the Planning Commission on November 18. Neighborhood leaders should check the ROC website (roc.clark.wa.gov) and review proposed code changes in these sections. She reiterated that it was important that neighborhood leaders become involved so that the county will have a broad response to the code changes. Susan requested that neighborhood leaders forward to her any concerns that their neighborhood may have with the draft code.

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STEPHEN ABRAMSON – PLEASANT HIGHLANDS – He reported that their meeting will be Wednesday, November 10. He would like to see the Sheriff's Department start the Neighbors on Watch (NOW) program. There was much discussion about the status of the program. Mike McCabe will be contracted to find out the status of this program.

SANDRA BENNETT – EAST FORK FRONTIER – She announced that the meeting with BPA officials on November 4th was lively. She said that BPA was not particularly forthcoming with the group. BPA was reminded by County Commissioners that the energy from these new lines will all be going to serve customers in Oregon and California, not to SW Washington.

JIM FISHER – FERN PRAIRIE – They are planning a meeting this Wednesday to get their NA up and running.

ROB GUTTRIDGE – ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES - The County now has a stream health report on line for people to check their watershed. The website is www.clark.wa.gov/water-resources/watersheds.

MARELYN CURTIS – TRUMAN – St. Johns Blvd at State Highway 500, originally slated to be closed for a year will remain open.

BUD VAN CLEVE – NE HAZEL DELL – Bud announced the annual Youth Holiday Event which will be held on December 16 at the Sarah J. Anderson School from 6-8 p.m. The Safe Communities Task Force had a meeting on October 22 and is dedicated to networking and connecting people with services. It deals with youth gangs.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Gilbert, Secretary

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