

Citizen Involvement Council Minutes for 03 January 2011

Call to Order by Chair Geil: 19:00

This being the first CIC meeting at City Hall as well as the first meeting using the Granicus recording system, Chair Geil began the meeting with an overview of the CIC, including some of its history and organization.

Roll call by Chris Taylor – City Liaison:

Tom Geil – CIC Chair, Park Place
Larry Hanlon – CIC Vice Chair, Caufield
William Gifford – CIC Secretary, Hillendale
Howard Post – Canemah
Paul Edgar – Canemah
Rachel Gunderson – Chamber of Commerce
Kathy Hogan – Hazel Grove - Westling Farms
Tom O'Brien – Hazel Grove - Westling Farms
Rae Gordon – Hillendale
† Damon Mabee – McLoughlin
† Denyse McGriff – McLoughlin
Vern Buttolph – Rivercrest
Ingra Rickenbach – South End
David Rickenbach – South End
Mike Larsen – Hazel Grove - Westling Farms

Guests:

Nancy Ide – OC City Recorder

Excused:

Amanda Lemarr – Barclay Hills
Stephen VanHaverbeke – Park Place
Lynda Orzen – MSOC
Nancy Kraushaar – City Engineer, OCPW Director

† Alternated due to commitments

Recording staffed by Melody Ashford – WFMC

“Guest Speaker”:

- Nancy Kraushaar, City Engineer and OCPW Director, being absent, Vice Chair Gifford led a review of an email with attachments she had sent on 01/03/11 to the CIC representatives regarding the tree cutting as regards to the Jughandle (OR 213/Washington Street and OR 213/Redland Road) project. More information can be found at jughandleproject.com.

As the discussion progressed, primarily focused on the issue of tree mitigation, Secretary Gifford expressed his “aspiration” that the City would re-institute the currently-inactive Natural Resource Committee. It was generally agreed that the CIC would take a “wait and see” position regarding the new City Manager and City Commission and their collective attitude towards that issue.

Approval of Minutes:

O'Brien moved, Hogan seconded, that the minutes be approved as written. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

- **Business Cards for Neighborhood Chairs**
City Liaison Taylor reported that she would be emailing the NA chairs for their information.
- **CIC use of Willamette Falls Media Center**
Chair Geil and Secretary Gifford presented some suggestion of using the WFMC to get out more information about the NA's. Chair Geil created an ad hoc committee to address the initial steps in this project. Appointed were: Edgar, O'Brien and Chair Geil himself.

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New Business:

- **Paper Retention for CIC & Neighborhoods**

Chair Geil and Secretary Gifford led a discussion, including perspectives from Nancy Ide, OC City Recorder, as well as Hogan, Edgar, Mabee, O'Brien and Gordon. Secretary Gifford raised again the need for a "Land Use 101" for the CIC, especially for the Land Use Chairs. Chair Geil also reiterated a suggestion by Gifford that perhaps the CIC needs an additional standing officer: a Land Use Chair.

- **Attendance Listing**

Chair Geil reported that, with City Liaison Taylor's efforts, the reporting issue is resolved. Representatives are reminded of their need to contact Taylor or any CIC officer, in advance of any meeting for any absence to be considered "excused".

- **Bylaws Review Committee**

Chair Geil appointed an ad hoc committee to review the CIC bylaws and report back to the general CIC membership. Appointed were: Gifford, O'Brien and Mabee.

Roundtable

- Ingra Rickenbach reported that the next SENA meeting will be on the January 20th.
- Howard Post reported good work is progressing on Canemah Park with plans expected to Planning and HRB in the next couple of months.
- Paul Edgar reported on the slide on Hwy 99. He also reported on visiting the Canemah Park site with Commissioner-Elect Roth.
- Tom O'Brien added to Ingra Rickenbach's report on their upcoming joint meeting with SENA.
- Kathy Hogan reported the readiness of the new HGWF newsletter and the guest speakers of their upcoming meeting: Dick Orr of Beaver Creek Telephone Cooperative, speaking on community opportunities; and John Lewis of OCPW, addressing the Arch Bridge project and sidewalk safety. Also, Norm Stewart is expected to be voted in as the next SENA Chair. On another topic, she encouraged traffic using South End Road, especially during detours such as the recent Hwy 99 slide, to drive slowly and remember they are in someone's neighborhood.
- Rae Gordon reported that Dick Orr will also be attending the HNA meeting on January 4th. She further reported that "Paul" with the *Sternwheeler Rose* is looking to provide a "water taxi" service during the Arch Bridge closure. And she announced the upcoming 1190 KEX Kid's Fund benefit on January 16th.
- Rachel Gunderson reported on the upcoming Elected Officials Reception January 27th.
- Vern Buttolph reported on a City-wide food drive upcoming in March.
- Nancy Ide complimented the members for their adaptability in adjusting to the Granicus system. She also reminded the group of the upcoming ceremonies on January 5th to swear in the new Mayor and City Commissioners.
- Denyse McGriff announced the upcoming MNA meeting on January 6th. On the agenda: the Carnegie Building, the park's water feature and trees as well as the library in general. Also will be elections of officers. The MNA newsletter is out.
- Secretary William Gifford reported that the HNA Newsletter is out. He also reported on coverage in a recent *Community News* section of *The Oregonian*. This was a result of a press release submitted by Chris Taylor, City Liaison. Gifford also reported on the tree mitigation situation at the Hilltop Mall project and another land use issue regarding a property segmentation.

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- Vice Chair Larry Hanlon reported that Caufield's detention pond work is completed and is working fine. Also the blackberry bushes have been cut back at the OCHS soccer field parking area. Furthermore, Sequoia Development has cleared out all the rubbish from their site.
- Chair Tom Geil reported on the Walk the Arch festivities on January 15th. He also reported on upcoming meetings of the PPNA.
- Paul Edgar sought information on the returning of Main Street to two-way.

Chair Geil also asked for feedback regarding the new format. There was general consensus that, with a few tweaks, this format can work.

Meeting Adjourned by Chair Geil: 20:45

Abbreviations used in these minutes:

CIC – Citizens Involvement Council
HGWF – Hazel Grove - Westling Farms
HNA – Hillendale Neighborhood Association
HRB – Historic Review Board
MNA – McLoughlin Neighborhood Association
MSOC – Main Street Oregon City
NA – Neighborhood Association
OC – Oregon City
OCPW – Oregon City Public Works
PPNA – Park Place Neighborhood Association
SENA – South End Neighborhood Association
WFMC – Willamette Falls Media Center