

Minutes of the Dallesport/Murdock Community Council November 10, 2011

Flag Salute

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.

Roll was called by Elaine Kincheloe, acting secretary. There were 6 council members present.

Speaker: No speakers tonight.

Secretary (Open): Minutes. As Ryan Herweck had resigned, Elaine Kincheloe, Ways and Means Chairman read the minutes. There was a discussion to of the October 13 minutes in the wording of concerning the coal trains and the problems involved. The sentence should read: Concerning the coal trains, we need residents, orchardists and farmers to appeal these coal trains as to their damage to the health of the entire community.

Renee moved that the minutes be approved as corrected. Jack K. 2nd. Motioned approved.

Correspondence: We received a letter from the Klickitat County Planning Dept. They have cancelled the Nov. 21st meeting

Reports:

Treasurer's Report (Renee): There were no expenses this month. Ending balance = \$5011.34. A balance sheet and the bank statement were made available to all present, council members and audience. Renee reported that the check, which was sent to The Dalles Chamber of Commerce, in March, has been misplaced. Renee requested a new check be sent to cover our participation in the Cherry Festival. The amount of the check is \$60.00. Motion to reissue check was approved.

Council Election: Vote on new Council Members: There were 3 open positions. Pauline Coffield, Voting Chairman, reported that Don McDermott was reelected. There were 4 write-in candidates: Anthony Rizzi, Susan Martin, Craig Mengert, & Allan Ginnett, with Mr. Rizzi and Ms. Martin being elected. The volunteers that assisted Pauline were Carol and Derald Stace.

Ways and Means (Elaine): Elaine presented a proposed budget for the coming years events. A copy of this proposed budget is attached to these minutes. The amount proposed for all events is \$3470.00. A motion to accept the budget was made by Art Mengert and seconded by Renee Briggs, the motion passed.

Public Relations (Renee): Nothing to report

Beautification (Elaine): Nothing to report

Lyle School District: Nothing to report

County Liaison (Don): The Accessory Dwelling Unit, this has again been delayed and is still going to be under discussion.

Coal Train Shipments: Don has done some research and spoke at the Hood River meeting in early November. When Don lived in the East he was an executive for Con Rail and is very knowledgeable on rail issues. Burlington Northern-Santa Fe are the rail shippers for the coal coming from the east to be exported from the Port of Long view. The shipper has liability not to damage the environment and to keep the shipping containers contained. The loss in coal dust for UN-secured contents is significant. Don gave a very enlightening, extensive report on this Coal Train issue. The bottom line of his report was that the coal containers need to be covered and maybe this would solve some of the problems.

Public Comment: Jeff Eisland reported on the amount of time that would be given to tenants of the RV Park and he stated that they would be given a 3 month notice when the park shuts down. Jeff just won election to the Lyle School Board, congratulations where given. It was requested that he keep the council informed on school business and functions.

Pauline Coffield reported that the operations at the south,-west airport by BPA are causing some serious traffic safety problems. Pauline is going to contact the Klickitat County Highway Department to see if some signage could be provided soon. She also thought the council might also write a letter to the KCHD.

The Bazaar on December 2 and 3rd still has some space available. Both Pauline and Renee spoke about this event.

Anthony also reminded us that the Eagles Club in The Dalles was also holding their Bazaar on December 2 and 3. " Please support us also".

Elaine Kincheloe also suggested that each council member plan to help with at least one council supported event.

Old Business: None

New Business: Jack Kincheloe reported that an interesting, informative program could be given by Dr. Tod McGeer, founder of Insitu, on the development of a new type of Drone. This is being developed in Husum. The council agreed to see if Dr. McGeer could come and speak in the very near future.

Renee Briggs made the motion that our new secretary, Anthony Rizzi be approved as a co- signer on our Bank of the West Checking account. The name of Ryan Herweck should be removed as a co-signer. The motion was seconded by Jack Cherry and approved by the council

Water Dept (Chris): Chris gave a brief report on the Water Department.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm

Respectfully Submitted, Elaine Kincheloe, secretary pro-tem