

Final Minutes of the Dallesport/Murdock Community Council
February 9, 2012

Flag Salute

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call was taken with 7 out of the 9 council members present. Jack & Elaine Kincheloe were excused. There were 18 people in the audience.

Speaker: none

Secretary -Minutes (Anthony): Were read and approved with corrections.

Correspondence: Klickitat Co. Planning Dept Memorandum on MDNS and SPA on Gorge View Estates Phase 1 into 4 residential lots.; USPS on Postal rate changes, USPS on P.O. Box Re-Confirm Ltr., Klickitat Co. Board of Adjustment Mtg Agenda for Feb 6th. Thank you letter from school on sweatpants donation, State Farm selling Group Life Ins., Airport Development project MDNS for new 60' x 80' hanger.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report (Renee): Total donations were \$585.22. \$150 for Fire Dept Awareness, \$300 for school play, \$135.22 for school sweatpants, and \$26.49 for office supplies. Expense total was \$611.71. Bank Balance is \$3,201.15. No bills were presented.

Ways and Means (Elaine): none

Public Relations (Renee): Because of budget cuts, there will be no more printed newsletter; on-line version will be available on the website.

Beautification (Elaine): none

Lyle School District: none

Dallesport Water District: (Chris) The new computer program "Green Tree" cost \$4000 and it cost \$7000 to install it. John Grimm Engineering will continue working on pump house. Engineering cost so far is between \$100 k and \$125 k. Total project cost is @ \$780,000. When airport comes online, wells 3& 4 will be shut down. Construction begins in Spring of new pump house

County Liaison (Don): Bingen is moving to make overpass at Hwy 14 and Bingen Point. The City Council was packed. Talked of Coal Train Car blow off, Don set them straight. Jack went to Airport Board Meeting. Runway work is cleared for progress, passed community & SPA requirements, start construction in May. Renaming runways from 30 to 31 and 12 to 13. Jack asked Dave to look into the Shriner well. Then discussion turned to Ambulance Service which will be cut to 12 hr per day, no hours specified. Basically day shift, starting March 1st. When hospital levy went down, the cost was estimated at \$148,000 per year. (hospital was estimating \$500,000 cost) The administration put it on the crews to come up with a fix to make up the cost. We average 75 medical & MVA calls per year. Fire Dept did 202 last year. \$90,000 to staff a crew. It was suggested that litigation should be started against Mike Madden and Skyline. Levy did not say, but flyers and speeches given did say 24 hour coverage if levy passes. Motion made by Renee, seconded by Art to write letters to Dalles Chronicle, The Sentinel, and The Enterprise papers and Mike Madden and Skyline Board about community disapproval of discontinuance of 24 hour ambulance coverage as promised in US Postal circulated flyers should we support and vote to approve EMS 2007 levy... 42 cents per \$1000, 6 yr levy that did pass. Motion passed. Brad Nolan was volunteered to help Don and Rhett craft the letter. We will coordinate letter with other Community Councils. Don asked Rhett about how our fire service is perhaps diminished by us not having EDA money to give anymore. Rhett replied that they are in great shape with the equipment they need and money in the bank. (\$40,000)

Public Comment: Patricia asked about Newsletter. We can't afford it. Renee will put calendar in the Post Office. Craig Office Supply (Roy) might print for being able to put an advertisement. It sounds good, but postage is about \$100 per month. Renee will explore this. We do about 650 copies per month. Fire Dept thanked us for the money for awareness. Frank Boen thanked the Fire Dept for responding to his wife's emergency.

Old Business:

New Business:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Anthony Rizzi, Secretary