

**Minutes of the Dallesport/Murdock Community Council
October 13, 2016**

Flag Salute

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call was taken with 7 council members present. Elaine Kincheloe and Renee Briggs were on excused absence. WJ Morris was in the vacant position by appointment. There were 7 citizens in the audience.

Speaker: There were no speakers.

Secretary Minutes (Kim): There was a motion made by Jack and seconded by Mary Anne to accept the September meeting minutes. Motion passed.

Correspondence: Klickitat County Planning Department, SEPA Threshold Determination No. SEP2016-25, Klickitat County Planning Department, Rezone Industrial Park parcel. No comments were suggested at this time.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report: The ending bank balance as of September 30, 2016 - \$2086.77. The treasurer's report was approved by all the council members present. PJ said she would be taking over the duties of the treasurer soon and asked about having an audit of the finance records as called for in the By-Laws. Don asked that the issue be tabled until he can research who could do the audit for minimal cost.

Bills Presented: Anthony Rizzi - \$50 + \$15 (for extra page in newsletter) for newsletter printing for September and \$50 for October. The motion passed but the checkbook was not available at the meeting.

Ways and Means (Elaine):

Public Relations: WJ updated the Council and citizens present on activities on the Maley Rezone. Maley is a part time Oregon resident. Editorials have been written indicating Dallesport's support for the rest of rural Klickitat County regarding housing development and high density housing. Many county communities, White Salmon, Klickitat, Husum, Trout Lake, and others were represented at the October 11 public meeting in Dallesport. WJ said he thought there were about 115 people at the October meeting with many comments provided to the County Commissioners. The Commissioners concluded that they would continue the public meeting until their regular November 8 Commissioner meeting. They will make a decision at that time about the rezone application. There was additional discussion about the housing situation in Klickitat County and the need to house migrant workers and additional workers for businesses that are expanding (In-Situ for instance) or might locate near Dallesport such as new businesses at the airport development. Kim suggested that we should not just say "no" but should offer a solution to the issue. WJ suggested a R1 zoning might offer a solution to this issue.

Jack asked Les Donaldson to explain his expenses for advertising in local papers (\$919 in the Enterprise and \$907 for the Goldendale Sentinel) about the Maley Rezone request. Les is taking donations to offset these ads and was not asking for the Council to donate funds. Don and Anthony both put forth discussion about the Council not donating funds for this advertising due to its political nature. The Council should not be involved in political activities. It would be okay for Les to put an ad in the Council newsletter asking for donations if he wants to.

Beautification (Elaine):

Lyle School District (Don): Kim said he will paint the freezers and the school will decorate the freezers.

Dallesport Water District: There were complaints about the water district billing. Don suggested the people go to the Water District monthly meeting. The contract for water system construction was let but no work had started yet.

County Liaison (Don): Don has been in High Prairie for work and has noticed a marijuana grow in the area. The sheriff said that the state liquor board is not policing the grow so the sheriff has not been monitoring. This may not be a licensed growing operation.

Future Speakers: November 10, 2016 – Rita Pinchot, KLASAC Coordinator
December 8, 2016 – Andrew Kelly, Lyle School Superintendent
January 12, 2017 – Marijuana licensing contact

Public Comment:

Old Business:

Jack asked people to think about ideas for a kids Christmas party for the Dallesport area. Last year Elaine organized a party for the elementary school students.

A person suggested at the October 11 meeting that we should have a Comp Plan to outline where housing would be acceptable. Don discussed our Comprehensive Plan and how the County did not adopt our proposed plan in 2010. We will work on our Comprehensive Plan update after November.

New Business:

Council Election: Kim explained how the election is scheduled for November. WJ was appointed to fill a vacant position which will be up for election. There are 3 vacancies to vote on and we have 3 people that have indicated they will run – Elaine Kincheloe (incumbent), Ray Clough, WJ Morris.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim I. McCartney, Secretary