

DALLESFORT-MURDOCK COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 13, 2018

OPENING

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Don McDermott. Roll call was taken with 8 council members present with WJ Morris on excused absence. There were 6 citizens in attendance.

SPEAKER

From The Next Door Inc. Janet Hamad, Executive Director and Justine Ziegler, Development officer presented an overview of their organization, how it serves communities in the Columbia Gorge and their plans for the future.

SECRETARY (KIM)

Secretary, Kim McCartney submitted his resignation from the Council. A motion was made for Councilman McCartney to run the ice cream fundraiser in 2019. The motion was seconded and passed.

Correspondence was received from the Klickitat County Planning Commission related to the Hodge family short plat. Discussion followed regarding their intent to rezone industrial, possibly for lumber yard use. The Council discussed if this property was owned by Jacobson rather than the Hodges. Councilman McDermott agreed to investigate the topic further.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman McNeal presented a draft letter thanking the Jeff Hunter and the Klickitat County Training Center. Councilman McDermott read the letter. Councilman Rizzi made a motion to approve and send the letter. Councilman McCartney seconded the motion, and the motion passed. There followed discussion of illegal shooting, and shooting on private or railroad property, and the danger it poses to bicyclists and motorists. The idea of posting signs to discourage such shooting was discussed. There followed discussion of opening the range and use by the Sherriff's Department and the Sherriff's posse.

The draft November Council minutes were reviewed. Councilwoman Sally Swing moved to accept the minutes as presented. Councilwoman MaryAnn Pauline seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The Council discussed a replacement Secretary. The topic was tabled until the next meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was approved as presented. There is a donation check to KLASAC still outstanding from the summer. There followed discussion of what to do with the Council's funds. Ideas discussed included donating to a Dallesport family, the O'Neals, who recently lost their home in a fire, erecting a sign at the entry to Dallesport, developing a resource to help community members with rescue and relocation of livestock in the event of an emergency, funding a scholarship, and contributing to The Next Door. Councilman McCartney made a motion to donate \$100 to the O'Neal family who lost their home in the fire, Councilman Rizzi seconded the motion, the motion passed.

LYLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

No report was made as there were no attendees of the school district meeting present.

DALLESFORT WATER DISTRICT

Councilman McNeal reported on the water district meeting including a lost bid for a CDB grant, a USDA rural development grant, installation of fire hydrants, the water district seeking a full-time employee, and the discussion of installing a cellphone tower on a water tower on DNR land.

Columbia Gorge Airport: Councilman McDermott proposed the Council send a member to attend airport meetings regularly. There followed discussion of activities at the airport including a potential golf course, and the impact of the Opportunity Zone on development. Council McDermott will endeavor to attend the next meeting.

COUNTY LIAISON (DON)

[none]

SPEAKERS

January 10, 2018: Port Authority

An invitation to the Port to speak at an upcoming DMCC meeting was proposed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

[none]

OLD BUSINESS

[none]

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman McNeal's effort to revise the DMCC Bylaws was discussed. Councilman McDermott proposed a committee be created for the effort. A motion was made for Mr. McNeal to chair the committee, Mr. McCartney seconded the motion and the motion passed. Councilmembers Anthony Rizzi, Mary Ann Pauline, and community member and former Councilwoman PJ Sisseck volunteered to participate in the committee. Additionally, Chairman McDermott is a member since the Chairman is an ex-official of all committees.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Rizzi made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded and passed.

Councilman McDermott adjourned the meeting at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Caleb Hotchkiss, Councilman