

Committee for Community Involvement

JANUARY 21, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

Time: 6 - 8 p.m.
Held via Zoom

CCI Attendees: Karen Bjorklund (Chair), Pat Erdenberger, Marrion Kaufman, Bill Merchant, Amy Nichols, Brent Parries (Vice-Chair), Gordon Slatford, Danielle Weber

Attending PGA Liaison to the CCI: Tonia Holowetzki

Public Attendees: Marti Bowne (Hoodland CPO member and chair of Hoodland planning committee), Gerald Murphy (Vice-chair of Clackamas County Planning Commission)

MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome, Introductions

Chair Bjorklund welcomed CCI members, public attendees, and PGA staff.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Brent Parries motioned to approve the minutes for December. Gordon Slatford seconded the motion. The committee unanimously approved the minutes for both months.

3. Public Comment

Gerald Murphy commented on the importance and value of public participation in county efforts through public meetings, such as CCI and community-based meetings.

Marrion Kaufman shared the date for the community meeting for the Sunrise Corridor visioning project and the link to a survey for community input.

4. Review of CCI Candidate Interview Questions

CCI members agreed the questions developed in 2023 by a CCI workgroup are still relevant and appropriate for CCI candidates. Members who recently went through the interview process commented that getting the questions in advance was helpful.

5. CCI-PGA partnership projects

- a. CCI selected the CPO handbook workgroup that will work with PGA staff to update the CPO-Hamlet handbook. The workgroup is
 - Marrion Kaufman
 - Gordon Slatford
 - Amy Nichols
 - Danielle Weber
 - Brent Parries (alternate)

CCI members agreed that the workgroup will work with PGA on the review process and report back to CCI on progress, discussion, and feedback at the monthly CCI meetings. The workgroup will

present the final draft for final recommendations or input. CCI members agreed that CPO board members should be invited to provide feedback.

b. Encouraging greater community involvement in CPOs.

CCI engaged in a conversation about communication strategies or projects that could create greater awareness of and involvement in CPOs. Suggestions included:

- Consider creating websites and do mailings if the CPO budget permits.
- Consider forming a hamlet, which is recognized as a county agent and receives an annual budget from the county.
- Consider more engagement on Facebook and Nextdoor, which tends to generate more engagement with residents than a website.

6. Report on code enforcement definition of neighborhood livability as used in the determination of their code enforcement priorities

Tonia reported that she has not yet heard from Dan Johnson if DTD has a definition for neighborhood livability. CCI members discussed neighborhood livability and the importance of community involvement in helping define it and working together with code enforcement to address issues that arise.

7. Wrapping up 2024 CCI work and planning for 2025

CCI is preparing to draft its annual action plan which will include a summary of 2024 actions and what CCI learned from those actions. Tonia will deliver a draft summary to CCI on the 2024 actions. The committee discussed the following actions to consider for the 2025 action plan.

1. Community leaders meeting
2. Two CPO listening sessions, possibly dedicating one to code enforcement issues
3. Revising the CPO handbook
4. Evaluation of the public involvement/community engagement program
5. Code enforcement and improved relationship with CPOs
6. Defining neighborhood livability
7. Sending a letter to state CCI re: State Goal 1
8. Issues that emerge for the year and justify CCI's attention

8. Possible new business to consider for future CCI agendas

CCI candidate interviews.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 18, 2025, 6 – 8 p.m. via Zoom.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.