

STAFFORD HAMLET
BOARD MEETING

Minutes

March 14, 2023

Danielle Weber called the March 14th Board meeting of the Stafford Hamlet to order at approximately 8:32 pm on Zoom.

Attendance:

- ❖ Board Members Present: Richard Fiala, Bill Long, Patty Mamula, Bill Markt, Cathy Meyers, Andy Munson, Len Schaber, Kelsey Vu, Danielle Weber
- ❖ Excused: Erica England
- ❖ Absent:
- ❖ Staff Present:

The agenda was presented and approved unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes:

The February 14, 2023 Board and Community minutes were presented for review. Kelsey Vu moved to approve the minutes and Andy Munson seconded the motion.

Vote: approved, 9 - yes, 0 - no, 0 - abstain.

Treasurer's Report:

Cathy Meyers said there was still one check outstanding from Pink Birch. Cathy also wrote a check for Amy's work at the retreat. After the checks the imprest balance is \$3,128.68. The trust account balance will be \$13,924.11 after a check is deposited soon.

Richard Fiala moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as written, and Len Schaber seconded the motion. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

Committee Reports - Communications:

Patty Mamula met with Andy Munson on the mapping project. One goal is to have more differentiation on the map.

Patty Mamula said there have been a few areas where new potential neighborhood captains have been identified. Jane has recommended a few people. Patty asked people to contact her if they have ideas for a captain for Ashdown Woods. Patty said there has been success on Johnson Road.

Andy Munson said that work is continuing on the maps and on the layers. He said it is good for collecting data. He said some people have found it a little challenging to access the map. He said that some people have not wanted to share details for the map, so they are going to try to keep it basic. The new thought it the important information is names and phone numbers. He said in the map there is a menu with a drop down that has layers. He said that it is taking time to get going, and he will work with Patty Mamula again soon. Andy Munson said they are trying respect people's privacy and work with them. Kelsey Vu suggested telling people who are reluctant to share information that the basic information (name and phone number) is just like a local phone book. Richard Fiala said people will eventually find it useful, and said keep after it.

Committee Reports - Agriculture:

Patty Mamula said there is no news on the pollinator designation. Patty added that Cathy Meyers did watch the webinar from Xerces Society on pollinators. Patty said Andy Munson talked to her about grants. Andy said that Water and Environment Services has grants for protecting watersheds. Andy Munson said that it could be a good grant for riparian zones.

Andy Munson reported the remaining trees are not doing well. Richard Fiala said he has Nordmann Firs and there are 30 of them for \$0.80 each. They are two years old and approximately 18" tall. He said they are slow growing and are good for holiday trees.

Recent Activities - CCI:

Rick Cook reported the Committee for Community Involvement will meet next Tuesday. The goal is to work on updating the website.

Retreat Goal Progress: Danielle said that having other Board members running meetings has started!

Bill Flood Report to PGA on Community Engagement:

Bill Markt said there are mixed opinions on the report. One goal is to for the County Commissioners to have less reactive interactions and more structured interactions. Another goal is to coordinate with Washington County to share information. The last goal that Bill Markt mentioned was to broaden the scope of citizens involved.

Bill Markt said the quarterly meeting with Public and Government Affairs is next Monday.

Bill added he talked to Stafford Ridge Nursery and they are interested in a booth at the Family Fest.

Other Issues of Concern:

Rick Cook said Beaver creek did a hybrid meeting. They are working with the County to resolve issues they had. Rick Cook said Beaver creek was willing to share what they had learned about hybrid meetings and how Stafford could do hybrid meetings.

Update on I-205 Tolling:

John McCabe said he noticed an error in the environmental assessment. He said it looked like the bridge was in a new location. He said they also have a trail that does not exist on the map. John said that a previous meeting is on Youtube. He said that ODOT is now telling people with questions on the cost of tolling to talk to the Oregon Transportation Commission. He added he finally got some information the prosperity park overpass from ODOT.

Danielle Weber asked what are the next steps? John McCabe said there will be more meetings. John said that someone else from Stafford other than him should be the official Hamlet representative.

Randy Yamada said that the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) would like to do a 15 minute talk. Richard Fiala said it should be a short talk and then time for people to comment or ask questions. Patty Mamula said she was against it because they say the same thing over and over. John McCabe said give them fifteen minutes and then a question and answer period. Randy Yamada said this would let people formulate thoughts on tolling. Rick Cook said he was concerned about the truck traffic diverting onto local streets.

Carol Yamada encouraged the Hamlet Board to use a comment form or survey monkey. She said this could give the Hamlet some data on what the community thinks.

Bill Markt suggested organizing the ODOT talk offline. Randy Yamada said ODOT could use the CPO time. Bill Markt proposed there be a focused way to listen to ODOT and share thoughts. He also thanked Danielle Weber for doing a great job running the meeting.

Adjournment: Danielle Weber adjourned the meeting at 9:19 pm.