

# Ladd Hill Neighborhood Association (LHNA) Minutes of General Meeting

Held Tuesday Oct 8 – 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

#### **Attendees**

Board: Eve Stevenson, Barb Whitaker, Stan Halle, Rosi Marshall, Russ Murfitt

Zoom: Cole Presthus, Ron Hapke Absent: Phil Morton, Carol Parks

Neighbors: Paul Welty, Carole Dinger, Karl Dinger, Cheryl McCaffrey, Lori Murfitt, Dave Leckey, Lewis

Danielson, Tirzah Cross, Bob Cross

Zoom: Jennifer Hapke

Attendees: 7 Board members and 10 neighbors for 17 total. *Note: Information added after the meeting are in italics.* 

#### WELCOME - Eve

Introductions around the room.

#### MINUTES - Rosi

Minutes from the May 14, 2024, were distributed earlier via email.

Eve moved to vote on the minutes, Stan seconded, and the attendees voted to approve the minutes as written.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT - Barb

Barb shared the picnic income and expenses, which was a net positive. She shared other expenses and current financial account totals.

Cheryl asked for clarification about how the general fund monies were used. Barb gave examples of the expenses for events (picnic supplies, wreath supplies), State filing fees and other operating expenses.

Rosi mentioned that the reimbursement of expenses from Clackamas County has been increased to \$350 for the Fiscal year July 1, 2024, to June 31, 2025. Barb will be able to submit a request for that money.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS – Chairs**

#### Social Committee - Eve

Eve will host her annual wreath making in Eve's barn on November 16. Eve said that the event was very popular last year with about 10 attendees. Each attendee will make 2 wreaths – one to keep and one to provide for sale. The wreaths will go on sale at Terra Vina for the holidays.

Carole and Eve are starting the planning for a Spring Social, with the idea of baskets of local produce.

#### **Emergency Preparedness (EP) Committee – Stan**

Stan shared an update from the summer picnic. The EP tables were next to registration table which enabled EP to meet every attendee and added a few new names to our lists. The tables were filled with go-bag Items and medical supplies. Thanks to Stan, Jennifer, and Ron Hapke for the displays!

The request for donations of medical supplies was filled by several boxes of various supplies. Thanks to those who delivered these supplies to add to the medical trailer.

Stan showed a list of the NCs who have recently held local gatherings. Carole said that she sent invitations to her neighbors (Ladd Hill Rd) but had no RSVPs. Then sending mailing reminders the day before the event and she had almost all the neighbors attend. She focused on meeting new neighbors, with EP as a less prominent part of the event. Cheryl's gathering had a good turnout as well.

During the meeting, other NCs plans for gatherings were added to Stan's list.

Cheryl shared that she had attended a state town hall and had a conversation with Representative Courtney Neron, who had fond memories of living on Wilsonville Rd. She and Cheryl shared the high risk of wildfire to this neighborhood with ravines, forests, and debris (fuel ). She offered to help if we wanted to reduce wildfire risk on Parrett Mt-

Rosi mentioned that she and Tamra Johnson are searching for grant opportunities. Seeking funds for Emergency Preparedness, possibly sourced from Oregon Department of Forestry's focus on wildfires from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

#### **ROAD CLEANING EVENT - Paul**

Paul announced that Oct 19 will be the fall road cleaning day. Volunteers will meet at 9 a.m. at the Center parking lot to get instructions, road assignments, safety & other equipment. Please consider volunteering and passing the word to others.

The next Road Cleaning day will be in the spring of 2025.

## **ELECTION OF NEXT TERM'S BOARD & OFFICERS - EVE**

Reviewing the slate, we had no nominees for 3 positions: Co-President-Yamhill County, Co-President-Clackamas County and Secretary. The nominees for Board Director positions (non-officers) were complete with all current Directors signing on to another term.

Eve asked for nominations from the floor. There were no offers until Cole (on Zoom) agreed to run again for another term and Cheryl McCaffrey offered to be Co-Secretary with Rosi. Both names were added to the slate. Eve will continue on the Board as Immediate Past Co-President Clackamas County.

The bylaws stipulate that the minimum LHNA Board must consist of at least 3 members which must be at least one Co-President, a Secretary or Treasurer, and a Director. So, the revised slate of Board nominees will enable LHNA to continue for this next term Jan 1, 2025- Dec 31, 2026.

There was lots of discussion about the lack of a Co-President- Clackamas County and the potential impact on our recognition as a Clackamas County (CC) CPO. This has no impact on our working relations with Yamhill County and no impact on our legal status as a 501.c.3 (a Federal designation)

The group discussed the potential impact if we were no longer considered a CPO in Clackamas County (CC). It was thought that the impact would be that LHNA would no longer receive the annual reimbursement (FY July 1 to June 30) nor receive the Land Use Application information. Added by Rosi: Following this meeting, on October 15, the Secretary contacted Clackamas County to discuss whether the current lack of a Co-President for Clackamas County affects our status as a CPO. They stated that as long as the position remains open and we continue the outreach to fill the position, we will continue our status. Rosi, co-secretary, agreed to continue to participate as LHNA's contact with Clackamas County.

Eve made a motion to vote on the candidates. Stan seconded the motion and there was a unanimous approval by show of hands. (All those present were eligible to vote per the bylaws definition).

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The Roberts Road Land Use Application was changed and the County declined the application. The change was the result of lots of neighbors sharing their concerns but also the fact that the adjacent neighbors

declined to provide access to their private property at the intersection. This was the critical element in the county's denial of the application.

Cole and Stan mentioned that Ziply Fiber informed them that their grant from the State was approved and they will be working on coverage maps, service options & costs. Sherwood Broadband 's grant application was also approved. Added: Later communication by Cole with Ziply indicated that the entire LHNA area would be served by Sherwood Broadband. Timing of the service expansion is unknown.

#### **NEXT MEETINGS FOR 2025**

General Meetings: TBD

ADJOURN - Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

ATTACHMENT A: Approved Officers and Board members 2025-2026

# Attachment A New and Approved Board Slate Oct 8, 2024

Term of office: Jan 1, 2025-Dec 31, 2026

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>
Co-President - Clackamas Co	Open
Co-President - Yamhill County	Cole Presthus
Co-Secretaries	Cheryl McCaffrey and Rosi Marshall
Treasurer	Barb Whitaker
Director for Yamhill County	Carol Parks
Director for Yamhill County	Ron Hapke
Director for Clackamas County	Russ Murfitt
Director for Clackamas County	Phil Morton
Director at Large	Stan Halle
Immediate Past Co-President - Clackamas County	Eve Stevenson