

# CCI Meeting Minutes

July 20, 2021

6 p.m.

**Attendees:** Jerry Andersen, Barbara Smolak, Susan Nielsen, Laurie Swanson, Brent Parries, Rick Cook

**Staff:** Katie Wilson

Jerry called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Approval of June Meeting Minutes:** Susan moved to approve the June 2021 meeting minutes. Rick second. Approval was unanimous.

**Wildfire Policy Session Debrief:** The committee members reviewed the wildfire discussion that had taken place in a policy session. Brent Parries represented the community in the conversation. The committee members were pleased with the outcome of the session. There was discussion about how it would have been helpful for the session to be much longer to provide more time for dialogue between the BCC and the presenters. Also, committee members agreed it would have been helpful to have representatives from law enforcement there to discuss the issues pertaining to armed militia, marking of homes as empty, rumors, and fear that complicated the evacuation process.

**Fireworks Ban:** The committee members discussed at length the BCC decision to ban fireworks in unincorporated Clackamas County and the danger that fireworks bring during hot dry seasons. This was a complicated issue. While all committee members were pleased with the ban to help prevent fires, it was more complicated to come to consensus on how to handle the issue moving forward. Ultimately the group agreed that they BCC should determine a set of parameters to consistently determine the safety of fireworks each fire season. One popular suggestion was to use the fire district fire danger scale and to decide on a point on that scale that would deem fireworks unsafe. All agreed this decision should be made well in advance of July holiday preparations and should apply to incorporated and unincorporated areas.

**CLM Planning:** Due to the conversations earlier than the evening taking longer than anticipated, this topic was truncated. The committee discussed ideas to make the wildfire follow-up community leaders meeting most impactful. Katie agreed to come back to the group with an update after the community wide listening session. Katie also agreed to bring a list of possible dates for the future quarterly community leaders meetings to get the process back on a regular schedule.

**PGA Updates:** This item was eliminated due to time constraints.

**Public Comment:** None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.