



*General Meeting Minutes  
July 6, 2023  
Oregon City First Baptist Church, 819 John Adams St.*

1. **Attendees:** Jesse Buss, Curt & Erika Reesor, Don Donnelly, Kathy Polley, Phil Rotrock, Vicki Parsons, Patrick Dunne, Dan Beyer, Jane Littlefield, Adam Marl, Diane Roake, Amy Wilson, Lissa Adams, Aubrey McCormich, Jason Koram, John Lewis, Kenny Shultz, Jay Pearce, Denyse McGriff, Shawn Dickerson, John Withum, Alger Marsh, Denise Beasley
2. **Police/Fire liaison updates**

**Sgt. J. Turpin, OCPD-** working on hiring more personnel, starting with traffic officers. Chief Band has retired and is followed by Chief Shawn Davis.

**Capt. Patrick Dunn, OCFD-**the emergency services levy passed with 60% of the vote. This will allow for 62 additional suppression personnel, with 24 the first year. There will be two academies, one in the fall and one for spring. Five city and 2 rural fire stations are adding staff. Chief Nick Brown sent a letter of thanks for the support of passage of the levy. Calls have increased (150 calls/month), mostly medical (70%) or public assist (20%). Backyard burning is closed until fall. OCFD has added night coverage for ambulance services. OCFD responded to 3 fires in OC, assisted with 2 fires in Gladstone and Milwaukie, and responded to brush fires outside of OC. Capt. Dunn reminds us to be safe with fireworks (OCPD responded to all complaints this July 4<sup>th</sup>), and barbeques, and to have defensible spaces around our homes. This means to clear all debris and make space between buildings and combustibles. This year is dryer than normal.
3. **Presentation: Sewer Laterals, Inflow, & Infiltration- Kenny Shultz, OC Public Works**

OC Public Works and Clackamas County Water Environmental Services are looking for and finding problems with inflow and infiltration. This is when rainwater enters the sewer lines and flows to the sewer treatment plant. Detection of this is done by close caption TV accessed via manholes, dye testing, and smoke testing. Smoke testing will be performed in our neighborhood in August. Fliers will be placed on our doors to notify us 24 hours before the testing. If smoke is observed in our homes or on/near our properties, there is a problem. Kenny stated that half of the Inflow & infiltration problems are in the lateral (sewer line from house to street). Another problem is if the downspouts are connected to the sewer line. The city (via WES) will repair these problems at no cost to the homeowner. Public works would like to know if property owners already know of problems with their sewer system and have a survey available. More information can be found at <https://www.orcity.org/publicworks/oregon-city-lateral-program>

**4. Call for Volunteers for Concerts in the Park- Denyse McGriff**

Our major fund raiser for the year is the SnoCone tent at the Concerts in the Park on Thursday evenings at the End of the Oregon Trail from July 13 to August 24. Food sales start at 5:30. Volunteers are asked to arrive by 5:00. Volunteers can park for free.

**5. Approval of Minutes: Denise Beasley**

Denyse McGriff requested a list of names of attendees be included in the minutes. Sign-in sheets should be attached to the original document. Denyse McGriff moved to approve the minutes from May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Amy Wilson seconded. Approval unanimous.

**6. Treasurer's Report: Curt Reesor**

Savings: \$3714.41 + 0.16 dividend=\$3714.57

Checking: \$1982.16 + \$50 (house sign) - \$55.62 (sign) = \$1976.54

Curt expects a \$55 debit for a pop-up tent he purchased for sno-cone sales.

Jay Pearce moved to approve the minutes, Cathy Holly 2<sup>nd</sup>, Approved unanimously.

**7. Land Use:**

a. 1404 Jackson St.: Jane Littlefield, Dan Beyer

Need to replace the garage that is falling down. Currently, the garage is adjacent to the sidewalk. Jane and Dan are requesting two variances. One to reduce the 20-foot setback to a 14-foot setback. The second is to reduce the 5-foot setback from the alley to 0 feet. More information can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/1404Jackson>.

b. 824 Center St.: Aubry McCormick

Want to convert a garage back into a dwelling unit. This will make the 8500-sf building into a 4-unit condominium. Concerns are issues with parking and noise from short-term rentals. These are not designated as short-term properties, so should not be a problem. Parking permits for residents may be obtained.

c. 615 High Street project has been approved.

d. 151 Molalla Ave triplex has been denied.

e. 107 Center St wants to add a 2<sup>nd</sup> story addition.

**8. CIC Report: Denise Beasley**

Reminder that August 1 is National Night Out at the End of the Oregon Trail 5:30-8:00.

**9. Consideration of request for letter of support regarding security funding from Clackamas County for The Father's Heart: Jesse Buss**

Points discussed included the need for more details, the plan did not go through the GNA Shelter Advisory Committee, will the security be an armed officer, what will be the measure of success. The consensus was to request more information before offering support.

**10. Commissioners Corner – Adam Marl, Denyse McGriff**

Tolling is on pause only. ODOT still plans to toll the bridge. We need to sign/hand out petitions to get a measure on the ballot to halt this. Petitions can be found at [www.NoTollArmy.com](http://www.NoTollArmy.com)

The first Pride event in Oregon City happened last month. The Juneteenth celebration was also a success.

**11. Adjourned at 9:06 PM**

Respectfully submitted, Denise Beasley, Secretary

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