



*General Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2024
Oregon City Library*

1. Welcome/Introductions:

Carlee Brounstein, David Tucker, Denise Beasley, Phil Rotrock, Rachael Schweiger, Nini Thomas, Emma Lugo, Curt Reesor, Erika Reesor, Tim Powell, Brandi Johnson, Ben Figgins, Michael Sugar, Stephanie Hollingshead, Wendy Marshall, Denyse McGriff, Amanda Alwine, Jay Pearce, Nancy Slann, Amy Wilson, Claire Met, Wil Ilcisin

2. Police Liaison Update: Sgt. Turpin, Sgt. Young

An attempted break-in at Barclay School was thwarted with a man taken into custody. A self-defense class was held for the Fathers Heart Ministry personnel.

A successful traffic control action around the Catholic school at 5th/Washington occurred. OCPD has received grants for increased coverage. Four new hires are undergoing background checks. More officers have gone through the police academy. This will help bring the coverage up from 7 officers per shift to 10 per shift.

The Citizen's Academy is currently in process with enthusiastic reviews from two of our neighbors who are attending. Driving while using Cell phones resulted in 710 tickets last year. With the first offense a fine of \$265 is charged. The second offense is a \$440 charge, and the third offense is a misdemeanor with jail time. Sgt. Young recommends treating your cell phone like hot lava when you are driving.

Tim Powell expressed interest in a neighborhood Watch program.

3. National Alliance on Mental Illness: Dave Hunt, Executive Director

Dave gave a very interesting presentation on mental health issues and resources from NAMI. There are several support groups and classes for individuals and families that can be found at www.namicc.org. The state legislature has voted to fund the 988 suicide & crisis hotline.

4. 2024 Steering Committee nomination

Amy Wilson was nominated to the Steering Committee by Carlee Brounstein. Denyse McGriff seconded the nomination. The vote was unanimously approved.

5. Approval of Minutes: Denise Beasley

Wil Ilcisin moved to accept the January 2024 minutes. Carlee Brounstein 2nd. Approved.

6. Treasurer's Report: Curt Reesor

Savings: \$3715.84 includes a dividend of \$0.31

Checking: \$3592.04 with payment of \$56 for signs and income of \$115 for signs.

Denyse McGriff moved to accept the report. Wendy Marshall 2nd. Approved.

7. **Committee Reports:**

a. **Land Use** – Wendy Marshall, Denyse McGriff

The house on 3rd/Jefferson has been working on renovations, and just poured a new cement pad for parking behind the house. Tumwata village work is progressing with plans to demolish the “newer” building on 4th/Water by next month. The new apartments being constructed on 7th street will Not result in closing the alley.

b. **CIC** –Denise Beasley & Tim Powell

A Spring Forward event at the Pioneer Center will take place this Saturday.

McLoughlin Neighborhood Association will be one of the city service groups present. Library cards will be provided to all students in Oregon City schools.

The Parks and Recreation Master Plan will be finalized soon.

The memorial for the Cayuse Five is approved and will be placed on the Promenade.

Hannah Schmidt, our communications liaison, has found a new printer for the neighborhood meeting postcards. This will save the city over \$3000.

The Habitat Restore is interested in hosting a donation event for new/gently used building materials. We provide the location; they provide a truck. It was suggested that we could use the parking lot by the Pioneer Center when there are no other events happening there.

Adam Marl reported that there will be a July 4th celebration this year in Oregon City.

There is an ivy cleanup at the Buena Vista house/Atkinson Park on April 6 sponsored by the Parks Foundation.

c. **City Commission** – Denyse McGriff

The results of a survey regarding tolling have been published, showing that a large majority of citizens are opposed to tolling on I-205 and other areas.

Clackamas Community College is in collaboration with the Extension Service to add a new building on campus.

The Housing Coalition for Clackamas County gave a presentation followed by questions/answers at the last Commission meeting.

An “If I Were Mayor” competition for grade school students is almost done.

This month is Women’s History month and Developmental Disabilities Month.

8. **Comments for the Good of the Order**

The Arts Commission has received applications for artwork on 7th/Center.

Amanda Alwine is organizing Porch Fest again this year. She is looking for musicians and can be reached at amanda.alwine@gmail.com

Representatives from Need4Narcans could not attend due to a health issue, but they did bring Narcan kits to distribute to anyone who is willing to take one.

KPTV had a delightful segment with Tony Martinez about our elevator. Mayor Denyse was able to meet him at the top to give him some history and status of the one-of-a-kind structure in the United States.

9. **Adjourned** at 8:53PM

Respectfully submitted, Denise Beasley, Secretary