



*General Meeting Minutes
September 5, 2024
Oregon City Library*

1. Welcome/Introductions: Tim Powell

Denise Beasley, Mike Mitchell, Bob LaSalle, Damon Mabee, Rae Gordon, Scott Wilson, Betty Mumm, Adam Marl, Denyse McGriff, Curt Reesor, Wendy Marshall, Wil Ilcisin, Louisa Gonyou, Sharon Lowe, Megan Hussey, Brian Shaw, Helen Shaw, Lissa Adams, Amy Wilson, Dennis Anderson, Phil Rotrock, Michael Sugar, Tim Wuest, Jesse Buss

2. Police liaison updates: Sgt. Justin Young

High Rocks has been very quiet this year with no drownings. AMR has extended their presence there for one week due to the hot weather. There have been some issues at Barclay Park with camping which the Fathers Heart Ministry is trying to help with. National Night Out on August 6 had a very good turnout. Concerts and movies in the park also went well. On September 7 from 10:00 to 2:00 at the Safeway parking lot the annual safety fair will be held. There was no teen female self-defense class in August. There will be a drug take-back event Oct. 26 from 10:00 to 12:00 at the OCPD parking lot. Halloween trick or treat on main street downtown will feature OCPD officers. There are 8 officers in various stages of training to fill positions. Coco is the new K9 officer, a 2-year-old Belgian Malinois with Levie Loslie as handler. This week's traffic mission was school area patrols. The next mission will be crosswalks at 7th, 5th, Washington, Molalla.

3. Meet the Oregon City Commission Candidates:

Five candidates were allowed 10 minutes each to introduce themselves, then allowed 3 minutes each to answer 2 questions. The questions were "What are the top 4 issues for you for the next 4 years" and "How does your background/skills benefit Oregon City"?

Rae Gordon: mental health, homelessness, affordable housing (1), destination management. Rae will build partnerships/community and work for you.

Bob LaSalle: homelessness, parks funding, affordable housing, proper development. Bob has trained in problem solving, worked with a variety of people in their homes, and believes he is the most qualified candidate.

Mike Mitchell: sustainable budget, homelessness/resources/enforcement, housing affordability and availability, parks funding (1). Mike has been a general manager of business, believes in being prepared, tries not to be disagreeable, builds consensus, will support decisions.

Betty Mumm: homelessness (a regional issue), Parks (especially the swimming pool) (1), traffic calming. Betty has been a small business owner and knows how to be a leader, do

a budget, hire/fire workers. She helped the SouthFork Waterboard reach a settlement and likes to help people come to her way of thinking.

Scott Wilson: housing crisis (1), PGE rates, economic development. Scott is a mental health therapist with 80% of his job listening to others to understand/resolve differing opinions. He also has an MBA and understands project management.

4. Treasurer's Report: Curt Reesor

The Steering Committee has approved moving money from savings and checking to a new CD account that will have a much higher interest rate. Current balances are: Checking \$2934.02 Savings \$5.08 CD \$5009.04. Damon Mabee moved to accept the report. Denyse McGriff 2nd. All approved. A request for approval of the replacement of Curt for Wendy Marshall as treasurer was put forward so Curt can use his time to work with Tim and Carlee on developing our website and social media. Damon moved. Denyse 2nd. Approved. Damon moved to remove all names from the bank account except the current Treasurer and Chair. Denyse 2nd. All approved.

5. Approval of Minutes: Denise Beasley

Damon moved to approve the minutes. John Beasley 2nd. All approved.

6. Committee Reports:

a. Land Use – Wendy Marshall

2 land use applications with incomplete answers have been received. Wendy submitted comments.

b. City Commission Report- Denyse McGriff

The commission is gathering information on the possibility of restricting fireworks. The Parks Master Plan is complete, a capital improvement plan has started.

The city is faced with a lawsuit by the developer of the proposed development in the Park Place neighborhood. New state land use laws have superseded the concept plan that the neighborhood worked on for several years and the developer is using that to their advantage. The city will start a community court. The city is actively marketing the property at Clackamas Landscape. There is a need for infrastructure funding. We also need workforce housing. We now have a Natural Resources Committee. A public hearing regarding tolling will be held September 26 in Happy Valley (probably). An affordable housing development, Los Flores, has opened. Dana Webb is our new Public Works Director following the retirement of John Lewis. Kendal Reed has accepted a job elsewhere so we will need a new Parks and Recreation Director. The next Commission meeting is September 18.

7. New Business: Tim Powell

Atkinson Memorial Church is celebrating 100th anniversary on September 21 from 10:00 to 3:00. The MNA will join the celebration with a 100th anniversary celebration of ice cream cones at Carnegie Park from 10:00 to 3:00. We will serve pre-packaged cones.

8. Good of the Order:

Denyse shared that neighbors Dana Robinson and Louise Slawson passed away. Rita Mills sends her greetings. The Ivy League is sponsoring an ivy pull at Waterboard Park on September 21. Contact Hannah Schmidt to sign up.

9. Adjourned at 8:52 PM

Respectfully submitted, Denise Beasley, Secretary
