

Stafford Hamlet Community Meeting
1180 Rosemont Road
West Linn, Oregon
July 16, 2007

Board Members Present: Carol Yamada, Dave Adams, John Kuhl, Bill Markt, Dave Coles, Molly Ellis

Excused: John English, Rob Fallow, Mike Miller, Mike Stewart

Hamlet Members: Sally Quimby, Scott Richmond, Whitney Hinkle, Kathleen Roles, Becky Farris, Rick Cook, Walt Gamble, Joyce Jones, Doug Gless

Meeting was called to order by Dave Adams, Vice Chair at 7:05PM.

Retreat Report by Dave:

- Positive resolution of some Board issues
- OCP – Elizabeth Normand present – recommended Hamlet hire someone who has expertise in obtaining public input. Need formal proposal of services and cost to Hamlet. Will refer to Carol Y to obtain for Board meeting 7/23.
- Guidelines for communication and working together were generated

Planning Committee report: Walt Gamble gave report (Scott Richmond was attending West Linn City Council Meeting). Group has created matrix of 10 identifiable areas, each having common topographical features. These will be looked at across the spectrum developed by Metro. This will provide a total Hamlet cross-section of similar patterns/paths that areas are interested in for their specific areas. Plan is to have “neighborhood meetings” to determine this specific information, which could work with the OCP recommendation.

Planning discussion with info from Scott and the Hamlet members present:

- The Board members would be asked to contact one of the neighborhood areas where they do not live to communicate with residents.
- Planning group would also like there to be a “geomorphology” of the area, both general and specific. Dave Coles and Doug Gless discussed possible alternative ways to get this information.
- There would be a range of alternative plans from “no change” to “metro expectation of 10u/acre”
- Timeline is in flux, based on professional help available and delay of UGB expansion by 2 years
- Desired outcomes/objectives for the process need to be determined
- Suggestion that it be grass roots, a product for utilization to influence Metro, County and the cities in any further development
- Recommendation to obtain city involvement early on; Hamlet advisory group with city planners should meet this need
- Important that vision both accommodates the needs of those who want to sell, develop and is respectful of community variances

- Hopeful that this process will bring healing to the divisions within the Hamlet community
- Utilize website more for getting out information: Carol asked for content information for useful links that could be added

Treasurer's Report

John Kuhl reported that funds currently are

\$2418 in Friends of Stafford Hamlet acct

\$2000 in County account including petty cash of \$500

\$140 in Hamlet trust account for donations

Finance Committee Report

Bill Markt reported planning for two fundraisers currently:

Golf fun outing at Sandilee Course on Mountain Road Sept 15

Wine-tasting at Oswego Hills Winery Sept 22

Meeting to continue planning for these is Tue, 7/24, 7PM, Market of Choice

Needing people to help with this both in planning and day of event

Other ideas:

- Bill Miller is going to work with the schools to develop a writing activity about civics and/or history of the area. This will bring in parents of the area as well. Becky suggested a contact for WLinn High .
- Carol suggested "Molly's Holly" for the holidays (Molly Ellis used to harvest and sell their holly)
- Dave suggested having a "dunk machine" at the Sept events for he and Herb Koss... and others who wanted to participate. The meeting attendees all voted for this event!

West Linn City Council meeting report: Carol and Scott attended the West Linn City Council meeting this evening. Only 3 of the council members were present. There was discussion about Hamlet planning and events; Counselors offered for Hamlet to contact them if they could help.

Survey Report: Carol reported that 730 total surveys went out and 250 were returned to date. There are no real surprises and results confirm many assumptions that have been made about the Hamlet community. Results will be available soon.

Question about the rumor that Tualatin Valley Golf Course is looking to purchase land within the Stafford Hamlet to relocate their golf course. Whitney said she had asked a friend who was involved with TV Golf and he said that was not true.....

Meeting adjourned at 8:45PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Quimby, Hamlet Recorder