

Stafford Hamlet Board Meeting  
September 21, 2009  
Athey Creek Middle School  
Tualatin Oregon

Board Members Present: Ann Culter, Carol Yamada, Sally Quimby, John Kuhl, David Halseth, Charles Hoff, Jack English, Molly Ellis, Dave Coles, Jay Minor

Community Members Present: Dave Adams, Walt Gamble, Jackie Gamble, Scott Richmond, Tom Coffey, Larry Reid, Mike Stewart, Rick Cook  
County Reps: Chris Roth, Amy Cleary  
City Rep: Aquilla Hurd-Ravich

Board Meeting called to order by Jay Minor, Chair at 8:25PM.  
May Board Minutes were reviewed. Motion to accept by David Halseth; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ann Culter. All approved.

Committee Reports:

Website: Scott reported Hamlet website is up and running. As Sally sends things to Scott for inclusion, they are entered. Sally thanks Scott for his promptness.

Finance: John reported the trust account has \$16,000. Golf event \$389 net.  
Meeting space for Sept-June has been paid. There are no plans for further fundraising efforts.

Outreach: Sally reported golf event advertised in Community papers 3 times; none in Oregonian, even though there were notices sent 6 times throughout July and August. Jay stated that the Values and Vision has been presented to the BCC. Date for Lake Oswego City Council Sept 22 at 6:30PM, City Hall. West Linn planned for Oct 19.

Chair for Fundraising and Outreach needed: Jay stated we still need 2 people to step up to chair each committee. There being no volunteers, Amy suggested that when there was a need, she felt that someone would come forward.

Map Updates: Jay gave out updated maps showing the 63 acres that Metro has purchased along Wilson Creek.

Wildlife Survey Grant Opportunity - Ann Culter

The Stafford Hamlet has an opportunity to do a wildlife study to validate its wildlife and wildlife habitat. This study would document the wildlife corridors; general, sensitive, and endangered species, as well as species of concern, and would study the habitats necessary for survival and the effects of growth on their environment. Through such a study, we would hope to have recommendations made to the Stafford Hamlet board, stakeholders, and residents to explore options for sensible planning of residential, commercial, and wildlife preservation.

As part of this study, we need approval from the Board of Directors and the Board of County Commissioners. We would want to survey the residents as to their interest in such a study and if they would be willing to donate \$25/acre, tax deductible, to show their support for the project. The project, costing at a minimum of \$40,000 for a wildlife consultant and possible use of students from Portland State University's Road Ecology course, taught by Catherine DeRivera, and students from Oregon State University's wildlife department. We would also need funding from grants from different sources. Other sources of non-financial support for this project might come from Three Rivers, 1000 Friends of Oregon, the Audubon Society, and Susan Barnes, Wildlife Diversity Biologist for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife in the Clackamas office, who covers our area. Audrey Hatch of OSFW would also be able to help us with mapping.

Sally moved to bring summary back to Board with process steps. Dave Halseth 2<sup>nd</sup>. Chris Roth pointed out this would meet our Goal 5 requirement.

Next Board Meeting: Need to move to Tuesday, Oct 20. Agenda is retreat and other Board issues. Sally will find space. \* Athey Creek Library, same time \*

Town Hall date and agenda discussed: Need to plan around board election. No planned agenda for October. Outcome: December 5 with Board election, urban/rural reserves update, wildlife survey presentation. Tentative place: Stafford School

Board Position on PAC/BCC Urban/Rural Reserves Recommendation

Jay stated that the Board needed to determine if it was time to take a stance on the PAC and BCC Urban/Rural Reserves recommendation, in light of a letter he had received from three Board members that represent large property owners. Sally stated that with a recommendation from the BCC, it seemed appropriate to make a statement of concurrence with their recommendation. Jack English made a motion to do a note to the BCC acknowledging their recommendation to leave the Hamlet undesignated as compatible with our V&V. .

Much discussion ensued. Mike S stated he didn't think we should do that without talking it to the community. Scott R stated he didn't feel that we needed to make a statement...our Value and Vision Statement did that and was supported by our community. Walt reminded the group that the recommendation was based on the fact that the surrounding cities 'local aspirations' was for the Stafford Hamlet to remain rural or undesignated. John K stated the only way a statement could be made was to acknowledge there was disagreement amongst the Board; that one group within the Board wanted the area to all be Urban Reserves.

It was suggested that the motion be rescinded and the letter to Jay be rescinded with a note to the BCC. The 3 Board members would not rescind the letter until they had validated information they had that a Board Commissioner had said she had a "deal with the Hamlet".

Jack restated his motion (as above) and Dave Coles 2nd. Vote: 4 yes; 5 no; 1 abstention.

Amy Cleary pointed out that the same non-communication was being used again and again; not talking with each other when there are disagreements, and then having it become a larger issue. She urged the Board to make time for a retreat for discussion of how we work together.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Quimby  
Hamlet Secretary