

March 25, 2021

HDOG ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: 11:00 AM

LOCATION: VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

PRESENT: GARY RIFKIN, KATHY WITKOWSKI, CAROL LATOURETTE, PASTOR HEATHER RIGGS, ANN SAUNDERS-WEBB, JON FAULKNER AND SUZANNE WOLF

1. INTRODUCTIONS

2. SECRETARY REPORT

- A. The January 28, 2021 General Membership minutes were sent out to members for their review one week prior to the March 25, 2021 meeting.
- B. Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the January 28, 2021 minutes made by Pastor Heather and seconded by Kathy Witkowski. All in favor to approve minutes as written. Motion passes.

3. TREASURER REPORT

- A. INCOME 3/11/21: \$445
- B. BALANCE 3/23/21: \$1590.26
- C. Treasurer notes that insurance for the organization is \$600 per year. HDOG has enough funds for 2 years.

4. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Past Year's Achievements
 - i. HDOG strengthened their relationship with the downtown business owners. Business owners were personally met by two Board members and offered the opportunity to post information about their business during the pandemic on our website. This opened communication with all owners especially ones who were known not to have full confidence in HDOG. In addition, a "Downtown

Business” page was added to our website. It features links to the business’ website for those who have one.

- ii. Beautiful, new bike racks at the corner of Arista and Oak Grove Blvd. and the only bike repair and pump station along the Trolley Trail was installed. Thanks to a grant from METRO and North Clackamas Department of Transportation and Development who applied for the grant and North Clackamas Parks & Recreation who did the installation and produced a professional video that can be found on our website.
- iii. The Board of County Commissioners approved the allowance for the manufacturing of edible or drinkable products in our downtown district. This would expand opportunities for businesses such as breweries and bakeries to open in Oak Grove.

B. This Year’s Initiatives

- i. Adoption of an artisan manufacturing definition to the local land-use code
- ii. Development of a sustainable funding plan
- iii. Consideration of a Trolley Trail Bike event
- iv. Design of a community park
- v. Installation of the bike corral along with planters
- vi. Addition of garbage cans

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Restitution Project

- i. Pastor Heather informs members of the New Urban High School counselors’ interest to fulfill a need for some of their students who have a criminal past and owe restitution. Counselors are wanting to create a program/fund where youth could do volunteer work to “earn” repayment of their restitution, and gain skills and a sense of connection with the community. Once the project is set-up, then the school will be looking for fundraising and community service opportunities.
- ii. This issue is of importance to our whole community. Input, ideas and feelings from the community are requested. Discussion follows.
- iii. Pastor Heather will share the recording of this meeting’s discussion with the school counselors to help them create some of the guidelines for the program. She will keep us updated.

B. Bike Event

Suzanne reminds members about a suggestion made at the January General Membership meeting to hold a bike event along the Trolley Trail this Spring or Summer. She informs members that there is a need for volunteers to brainstorm and create such an event. If you are interested, contact Suzanne at sznnwolf@gmail.com.

C. New Board Members

New Board members are announced. They are:

President: Suzanne Wolf

Vice President: Ann Saunders-Webb

Treasurer: Gary Rifkin

Secretary: Suzanne Wolf

Director-at-Large: Pastor Heather

Director-at-Large: Jon Faulkner

Director-at-Large: Carol LaTourette

Director-at-Large: Kathy Witkowski

HDOG welcomes to new members to the Board, Ann Saunders-Webb and Jon Faulkner. We are fortunate to have Ann and Jon who are new Oak Grove business owners and have an interest in being active in the community.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS/CALENDAR

Please note that the time of day when Board and General Membership meetings will take place has been changed from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. A reminder will be sent out one week prior to each meeting.

2021 Board Meeting Dates: 4/29, 6/24, 8/26, 10/28 and 12/30

2021 General Membership Meeting Dates: 5/27, 7/29, 9/30 and 11/18

7. ADJOURNMENT: 11:34 AM