

September 30, 2021

HDOG GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: 11:00 AM

LOCATION: VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

PRESENT: GARY RIFKIN, ANN SAUNDERS-WEBB, KATHY WITKOWSKI, CAROL LATOURETTE, PASTOR HEATHER, ED RIDDLE, ANATTA BLACKMARR, RICH NEPON, AND SUZANNE WOLF

INTRODUCTIONS

SECRETARY REPORT

- A. The July 29, 2021 General Membership minutes were sent out to members for their review one week prior to the September 30, 2021 meeting.
- B. Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the July 29, 2021 minutes made by Pastor Heather and seconded by Gary Rifkin. All in favor to approve minutes as written. Motion passes.

TREASURER REPORT

- A. INCOME: \$0
- B. EXPENSES: \$0
- C. BALANCE: \$1570.36

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Zoning Amendment
 - i. Suzanne informs members that Joseph Edge and Valerie Chapman presented information at the August Board meeting regarding HDOG's options to advocate for the inclusion of an "artisan manufacturing" definition in the county ordinances.
 1. *First option: HDOG composes a letter to the Economic Development Commission requesting they provide the definition of "artisan manufacturing" to the Planning and Zoning Division.*
 2. *Second option: HDOG gives serious consideration to asking the county to do a planning project (a 20-year plan) for downtown Oak Grove area*

modeled after the Park Avenue Community Project. The project would involve getting stakeholders from immediate area engaged in a process where priorities are set, a vision for what HDOG wants to do is established and amendments to the zoning ordinances/code that would allow vision to occur is made all at the same time.

- ii. Discussion follows. Members conclude that HDOG agrees with Joseph's options and, right now, HDOG is going to put their energy into conversation about the Oak Lodge Governance Project. HDOG feels that it will yield more solutions at this time.
- iii. Motion made by Pastor Heather and seconded by Kathy Witkowski: HDOG reaches out to the Oak Lodge Governance Project committee and works with them to create a plan to host some public meetings in Oak Grove. All approve. Motion passes.

B. Bike Corral Agreement

- i. Suzanne shares with members a site plan for the location of the new bike corral along with two planters to be installed at the NE corner of Arista and Oak Grove. HDOG receives a maintenance agreement with NCPRD to be signed before bike corral is installed.
- ii. Discussion follows. Members discuss concerns about the location of the bike corral taking up prime parking space. Existing bike racks (street corners, back of church and Awakening) are satisfying the need we have now. Given the county's boundary that they will install and not maintain, that leaves our small volunteer group with the burden of trying to maintain a facility that our community doesn't necessarily want.
- iii. Motion made by Pastor Heather and seconded by Carol LaTourette: Tell county that HDOG is not interested in having the bike corral installed and, if that means we lose that portion of the grant, that's okay. All approve. Motion passes. HDOG would like to take possession of it and store it.

CC. Marketing Volunteer

- i. Suzanne shares with members that John Chilson is our new volunteer social-media and advertising coordinator. John lives in Oak Grove and is a content director for a marketing agency. He also runs social accounts for numerous businesses in Portland. He used to run the Oak Grove Observer Facebook page. He is familiar with all social platforms and is experienced in creating marketing and social plans and executing them. He is

passionate about placemaking, making better neighborhoods, and having a community he can call home.

- ii. John will be sending to the Board a weekly schedule of posts for their approval before being published.
- iii. Welcome John! We are fortunate to have you on our team.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. New Urban High School Opening: HDOG expresses an interest in being involved and supportive of an opening with the new building, if there will be one. Pastor Heather shares with members that the construction for the new building is due to open in October and that the decision to have an opening is made by the district.
- B. Honk-or-Treat: Pastor Heather shares with members that the church is hosting a drive-through Halloween event on Sunday, October 31, between 4:00-7:00 PM. Candy donations are welcomed. A flyer will be sent out for posting. HDOG will post on social media.
- C. Christmas Event: Oak Grove United Methodist Church has agreed to be a distribution site for the North Clackamas School District's Winter Blitz program on December 11th. Awakening Coffee will have a "Giving Tree" for families at New Urban High School and Oak Grove Elementary. Information about how HDOG can participate in effective ways to prevent homelessness and create stability for families with young children in our local schools will be provided by the church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CALENDAR

- A. Park at New Urban High School: Anatta Blackmarr, Oak Grove's representative for the North Clackamas Parks & Recreation District, sent an email to the new director about whether the NCPRD will acquire land or share with school district. She also met with two other advisory committee members to look at the park and talk about what could be there and the kind of outreach with community.
- B. Awakening Coffee: Ann Saunders-Webb inform members that Awakening Coffee has been approved by county to expand into space next to them. Congratulations to Ann and Joe!!

C. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

2021 Board Meeting Dates:10/28 and 12/30

2021 General Membership Meeting Dates:11/18

MEETING ADJOURNS: 12:36 PM