



Occidental Community Council Minutes – June 16, 2012

PRESENT: Rebecca Aff, Diane Masura, Carolyn Neiman, Fawn Nekton, MacKenzie Nekton, Candi Penn, Mary Szecsey, Donald True (KOWS)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Yes.

MEMBERSHIP: OCA plans to become an Associate Member. (\$25)

KOWS will join and Donald True will be the ongoing representative attending meetings.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunday, July 15th – Occidental Volunteer Fire Dept. BBQ

TREASURER'S REPORT: Balance for June - \$9605.57

WEBSITE: Crafts Faire info is posted with the Vendor Application, Map, and Guidelines.

CRAFTS FAIRE: Rebecca sent an announcement to past vendors to sign up for this year. Fawn will call Kaye regarding food vendor interest. All liked the idea of food trucks.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

Harmony Ark thank you letter received. Harmony Cook Book request forwarded to the school. Senior Resource Center newsletter received. West Sonoma Co. Buy Local Coupon Book received.

NEW BUSINESS: Dog Station Design reviewed and approved. Coinciding with set up are trash and recycling issues in town. With need for discussion and more research we may be able to assist to provide services in coordination with the OCSD.

SCHOOLS: Board meets June 28th. Librarian retired and a new hire is underway.

THE "Y": Current schedule needs updating to include on our calendar. Candi will call Jeremy Hodgdon. Mary spoke with Carol Hart of So. Co. Parks & Recreation about the plan to use the Community Center as a gateway to recreation and tourism in West County. Creating a bicycle and tourist center, shuttles to events and activities, and food resources are part of the plan.

HEALTH CENTER: Resorts in Bloom fundraiser was a big success. \$10,000 was raised.

OCCIDENTAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (OEP):

Refresher classes are available for CERT people online thru FEMA. An announcement will be sent out. A project to get an emergency trailer of supplies for Occidental is being worked on. CERT and Map Your Neighborhood classes are available in Sebastopol this summer. CPR classes are available from the Red Cross in Santa Rosa.

COMMUNITY: Portable Toilets are needed during the Farmers Market.
Trash should not be dumped in private dumpsters meant for recycling.
The Occidental Center for the Arts is raising funds to replace the roof.

KOWS: Organization continues with a steering committee.
New programs have been added and the new emergency system is now online.
Fundraising is needed. Direct pleas for donations are being considered.
The Occidental Community Choir donated \$900 from concert proceeds!

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 am.

Next Meeting: Saturday, July 14th at 10:30am at the Community Center.
(Note: this is one week earlier than usual.)