



Occidental Community Council Minutes – February 21, 2015

PRESENT: Meeting was moved to the Union Patio, as a Bike Start was at the Community Center. Diane Masura, Courtney Meyer, Carolyn Neiman, Fawn Nekton, MacKenzie Nekton, Candi Penn, Mary Szecsey, and Donald True.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Yes.

MEMBERSHIP: No new members. Yearly Dues are due. \$10 Actives. \$25 Members.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Fridays & Saturdays, March 6,7 & 13,14 – The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe

Play by students at Salmon Creek School, 7pm.

Thursday, March 26th 5pm: Salmon Creek Dinner and Movie “Fed Up” – Fundraiser for Garden.

Bohemian Market donated \$500 “bag money” to the School Garden Project.

Saturday, April 4th: 1:00pm Fools Parade scheduled for OCA and Downtown.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Carolyn Neiman did an excellent job presenting all reports.

January Balance: \$13,705.08

February Balance: \$11,662.67

Craft Faire Financials Final: \$4771.03 Net Income after Expenses of \$2339.47.

2013 & 2014 Expense Reports presented to use for 2015 Budget Discussion.

Unanimous Approval for 2015 Proposed Budget:

Admin/Website 7.5%

Resource Fund 10%

Donations 9%

On-Going Projects 15%

New Projects: Limited 13.05%, Capital 30.45% = 43.5%

Crafts Faire 15%

CRAFTS FAIRE: Final Financials in Treasurer’s Report: Net Income: \$4771.03

MacKenzie will do a Facebook Page for next year’s event.

Food options will be discussed for next year.

WEBSITE: The Community Center Advisory Committee webpage picture will be posted, along with info about the public meeting on June 13th, 2015 at 6:30 pm at the Community Center. Diane Masura is willing to take on the responsibility of the website management. Approved.

The 2014 List of Accomplishments will be updated and posted online.

Request made for Statistics on website traffic – to be researched/presented by Nadja Masura.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

Senior Resource Center Newsletter – Scoop received.
Oceansong Thank You Letter received. Membership Benefits outlined.
Emails checked.
Fools Parade Donation Request by OCA: \$100 Approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Interest in re-starting the Occidental Chamber of Commerce is expanding, so Courtney and Fawn, with John, are planning to begin meetings/planning in March.

New Council Projects Suggested:

Street Cleaning
New Basketball Hoop Nets and signs outside the Community Center in the parking lot.
Nice Porta Potty Rental / Set Up and Scheduled Maintenance.

THE “Y”:

Community Center Advisory Council Meeting: 6:30 PM, Tuesday, March 3, 2015
They are seeking additional members. Please come to the meeting if interested.
NEW WEBSITE: <http://www.occidentalcommunitycenter.org> – Agendas & Minutes posted.
Occidental Community Center PUBLIC MEETING: June 13, 2015

HEALTH CENTER: New hires at the OHC. Candi will check on the Emergency Trailer.

COMMUNITY: Many changes in Occidental.

Verdi Gris has closed, and Laurence Glassworks will be moving into that space.
The Library will be expanding into the old Laurence Glassworks space.
Bistro des Copains has closed. Unknown what or who will move in there.
Rents have been raised for two properties: Barley & Hops Pub and Video Store.
The Inn at Occidental is for sale. Current owners are retiring.
And the Alta Mont may finally reopen as a wine bar.

Internet Committee for Joy Road Area: Meetings 3rd Wednesdays at St. Philip’s Hall, 7pm.
Update: Now part of a 4 county consortia and eligible for a 60—70% state grant.
Looking for investors for remainder. Next meeting March 18th.

OCSD: There was a meeting about what to do with Occidental’s treated waste water on February 12 at the Union Hotel. An Ad Hoc Committee for Clean Water has been formed by Ann Maurice and Pauline Loades. Questions? Comments? 874 9165. There is an article in the Gazette – pg. 40. Other concerns: Fire Equipment Access during Friday night Farmer’s Markets. OCSD Minutes are posted at: <http://www.occidental-ca.org>

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30am.

Next OCC Meeting: Saturday, March 21st, 10:30am, Occidental Community Center.