



Occidental Community Council Minutes – January 21, 2017

PRESENT: Rick Coates, Gino Gaffney, John Greaves, Janet Greene, Diane Masura, Carolyn Neiman, Fawn Nekton, Candi Penn, Donald True.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Yes.

MEMBERSHIP: Yearly dues are being collected. \$25 and \$10 for Actives (attend 3+ meetings)

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Saturday, January 28th - Grasshopper Adventure Series - Bike Tour begins in Occidental. (500 riders)

Thursday, February 2nd – Occidental Community Center Advisory Committee Meets at 6:30pm

Tuesday, February 21st –Occidental Community Service District Meeting – Fire Dept.

TREASURER’S REPORTS: Thank you Carolyn Neiman!

January 2017 Treasurer's Report.- Balance: \$15,893.73

2016 Crafts Faire Financial Report – Net Income \$5,461.45

2016 Expense Report – Total Spending: \$7,090.38

Admin/Website: \$1,086.62

Resource Fund: \$1,500.00

Donations: \$1,085.00

Ongoing Projects: \$1,000.00

Crafts Faire: \$2,418.76

2017 OCC Budget Proposal – Revised: Donations 10%, New Projects 37.5%, Crafts Faire 20%

CRAFTS FAIRE:

2016 Crafts Faire Financial Report: Net Income - \$5,461.45.

Advertising for next year – One Gazette Ad, Social Media, Radio PSA’s, Event Calendars.

More Large Signs. Smaller Posters (fewer of them), Postcards needed?

Fawn volunteered to be the Business Donations person next year.

We agreed that live music/entertainment is great. The Ukulele group was invited to come both days.

WEBSITE: Traffic Report: 4329 hits

VOTE: Three month allotment to Nadja Masura for web work: \$150 (Jan/Feb/Mar)

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

1) Diane reported that the Occidental Service District is now rated #4 for improved insurance purposes. The Fire Chief reported that the toy drive was successful, benefitting three local families and Lake County fire victims.

2) Dec/Jan Senior Resource Center Newsletter received.

3) Events have been updated on the OCC Calendar.

- 4) Grasshopper Adventure Series - Miguel Crawford – Bike Tour sent an email reminding everyone that 500 bike riders will be starting in Occidental on Saturday, Jan. 28th heading to Willow Creek.
- 5) Donation Requests Received: Ocean Song, Bodega Land Trust, Occidental Community Choir, West County Health Centers. TABLED for next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Design of History Kiosk downtown Occidental –Rick Coates gave a presentation with mockups presented of the four sections: Full Color Map of North Pacific Coast Railroad, Historical Information and how it related to Occidental, Personalities playing important roles, and Legacy:

Logging, Agriculture & Tourism.

There was an enthusiastic unanimous VOTE for this project (\$1050)

And adding sponsor logos was approved. It will be now be presented to the OCSD for approval.

Fawn will submit a County Landmarks Commission Grant application with Rick’s EcoRing organization as fiscal sponsor and insurer.

Thanks to Gino Gaffney, Diane Masura and Fawn Nekton for bringing this project to Council.

We discussed having an Occidental History Day celebration upon completion and unveiling.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) OCCAC representative, John Greaves presented the Gym Floor Project and request for funding. The Community Center floor is 25 years old and failing. Sport Court is the type of flooring that has been chosen to replace it, which is projected to cost \$45K. \$16K has been raised already. We VOTED to EARMARK \$1500, which will be discussed at the next meeting.

2) Occidental Community Council Brochures will be updated by Candi and printing ordered.

COMMUNITY: Diane’s Community Notes for December and January were presented and will be posted downtown on the Council Bulletin Board.

KOWS: A recent fundraiser at Barley & Hops was successful.

A classroom is being added to the KOWS office at the Church in Sebastopol.

Next Meeting: Saturday, February 18, 2017 - 10:30 am - Occidental Community Center