

## Oak Grove Community Council - Regular Meeting Minutes

<b>Meeting Name:</b>	<b>Oak Grove Community Council Regular Business Meeting</b>		
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	June 26, 2019	<b>Start Time:</b>	7:00 p.m.
<b>Location:</b>	Rose Villa - Performing Arts Center	<b>End Time:</b>	9:04 p.m.
<b>Address:</b>	13505 SE River Road, Milwaukie	<b>Minute Taker:</b>	Jan Lindstrom
<b>Voting Members Present: 29</b>			
Pixie Adams, Tom Andrews, Bob Bohannon, Patt Callender, Susan Cassuto, Valerie Chapman, Jane Civiletti, Jeannine Defeyler, Dave Dobak, Jan Dobak, Joseph Edge, Gene Fifield, Lynn Fisher, Annette Guariello, Joan Hamilton, Troy Kerth, Jan Lindstrom, Jim Meyer, Gwion Miller, Karen Olberding, Bobbie Paredes, Fred Sawyer, Al Scott, Linda Seals, Casey Snoeberger, Fred Swingle, Baldwin van der Bijl, Greg Wenneson, Robert Zimmer			
<b>Non-Voting Members Present: 15</b>			
Ann Aalund, John Brandsen, Libby Brandsen, Richard Jaskiel, Alden Jole, Estera Jole, Nathan Ember, Tom Hiller, Anna Hoesly, Lisa Nowak, Elaine Plaisance, Otis Quattlebaum, Don Trotter, Ron Warnecke, Jonathan Zold, Lori Zold			
<b>Visitors and Guests Present: 4</b>			
Harry Konsa, David Richards Oshiro, Joy Thalman, Kay Weaver			
<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Meeting Agenda</b>		<b>Discussion led by:</b>
	<b>Welcome, Introductions and Officer Reports</b>		<b>Joseph Edge</b>
Joseph welcomed everyone and invited OGCC board members to introduce themselves. Officer reports: Secretary Jan Lindstrom asked if there were any additions or corrections to the May 22 Regular Meeting Minutes and/or the May 8 Special Meeting Minutes. There being none, the minutes were approved as distributed. Treasurer Jane Civiletti reported that the previous checking account balance was \$2257.98. Adding cash donations from the May meeting of \$73.00, the new balance is \$2330.98.			
<b>7:10 p.m.</b>	<b>Program:</b>		<b>Discussion led by:</b>
	<b>Local Non-Profit: Rivers East Village</b>		<b>Kay Weaver</b>
<p>Rivers East Village volunteer <b>Kay Weaver</b> provided an update about local efforts to establish a working chapter of the <a href="#">Villages NW Network</a> that helps elderly residents age in place in their homes by providing a variety of services for one monthly fee of \$45 (the cost of only a few taxi rides). Their service area will be Milwaukie to Gladstone and the unincorporated area in-between.</p> <p>Kay got involved because she had a neighbor who needed help whose husband was in a care center. She needed minor electrical work done on her house and with the housing boom and her budget limitations, she couldn't even get a response from over-booked electricians. Kay's son found someone who was willing to help free of charge.</p> <p>That's the idea of Rivers East – to help with common tasks that frustrate seniors living on their own. It's a group of people interested in helping seniors on a greater scale by setting up a system to match them with neighbors willing to help with anything from rides to simple chores to gardening. Transportation is the greatest need for trips to the grocery store, medical appointments and even the symphony.</p> <p>Since 1987, Kay said 287 people have signed up to receive their emails, indicating lots of interest in the program. Kay encouraged OGCC members to volunteer. Rivers East needs help with computer work, social media, outreach, letting neighbors know about the program and recruiting other volunteers. Hours are flexible and once a volunteer signs up, they do not have to accept every request to help. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.RiversEastVillage.org">www.RiversEastVillage.org</a>. To volunteer, email Kay at <a href="mailto:info@riverseastvillage.org">info@riverseastvillage.org</a>.</p>			

	Metro Regional Conservation Strategy	Jonathan Soll Lori Hennings
<p><b>Jonathan Soll</b>, Science and Stewardship Division Manager for Metro (our regional government) explained that Metro began developing a regional conservation strategy about 10 years ago. Prior to that, it was difficult to find out much about local wildlife and habitat. Now there's a user guide for nature that is made up of three parts – a conservation strategy to protect water quality, fish and wildlife habitat, a biodiversity guide and data collected in the region. This helps Metro demonstrate what makes our region so special and provides a way to integrate their work with state and national conservation planning efforts. Challenges include how to effectively address issues in different areas (urban, suburban, rural, etc.). Another is to balance growth with nature's ability to provide ecosystem services to us for free, as when rivers control flooding when they have room to accommodate the extra water. They have identified the most valuable habitat areas for conservation. The new mapping tool can be scaled to look at cities or neighborhoods. In case Oak Grove / Jennings Lodge incorporates, it would be a valuable planning tool to look at areas to try and protect through regulations.</p> <p><b>Lori Hennings</b>, Senior Natural Resource Scientist for Metro, described the Oak Prairie Work Group, which was established in 2012. The group has mapped Oregon White Oaks, which have experienced a decline to 10% or less of what existed when Europeans first arrived. They have also developed a strategic action plan and are in the process of prioritizing key oak habitat. Lori said that Oak Grove has lots of oak, so it holds a key position in the regional oak-y landscape. She said that if anyone uses their oak mapping tool, they would love to know about any omissions or errors in identify Oregon White Oak.</p> <p>In response to <b>Casey Snoeberger's</b> question about how we might prevent Oregon White Oak or other mature growth trees from being cut down, Lori said until we become a city and can make up our own rules, there's not that much we can do besides outreach and education to our neighbors. She also said people cut down oak trees but don't often plant them because they take a long time to grow. We could encourage people to plant them, even purchase and distribute trees ourselves or encourage citizens to purchase them at local nurseries and plant them.</p> <p>Wildlife corridors and connectivity is another area Metro has been working on since 2016. Bridges and highways can be barriers for wildlife. The group has been meeting quarterly, locating wildlife corridors, writing a strategic action plan and working with Portland State University on a Connectivity Tool Kit that has GIS (global information systems) and field data from habitat assessments on the ground. They use the tools to score areas, look at barriers, pick key species to model and decide where to pool money to prioritize key corridors. To learn more, visit <a href="http://www.theintertwine.org/projects/regional-conservation-strategy">http://www.theintertwine.org/projects/regional-conservation-strategy</a></p>		
	Land Use Application Review Team (LUART)	Joseph Edge
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>DECISION:</b> Z0178-19 – 1108 SE Dogwood Lane - home office. Meets the criteria. Has been approved.</li> <li>● <b>PENDING:</b> Z0566-18, Z0570-18, Z0571-18 – Temporary parking for Willamette View construction workers; still pending, even though they are already using the proposed lots for parking. <b>Lynn Fisher</b> said residents can make complaints about code violations like this; if you're willing to put your name on it, a signed complaint, especially with supporting photos, will give Code Enforcement the information they need to follow up.</li> <li>● Z0174-19 King of Kings overnight safe shelter program; on hold; three weeks from today is the deadline to submit comments to the County. Updates to the application include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Guests will no longer be allowed to visit temporary residents staying in the church parking lot during the day</li> <li>○ The parking area where overnight guests will stay has been moved closer to the church near the interior of the property</li> <li>○ The church has agreed to hire a security firm to do nightly checks of the property. No vehicles will be allowed to be there unless they are associated with the shelter program.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

- The response period will close before our next regular meeting. Submit comments to Andrew Yaden (AYaden@clackamas.us) in re: Z0174-19.
- The OGCC Board reviewed the application at our last meeting and determined that the application met the criteria set forth by the County. We have not submitted a further response. At this point, with the revisions proposed, we agree that it meets the criteria for the program which the County established.
- Comments from the membership included:
  - Neighbors are very concerned.
  - Could have a very negative impact on the livability of the neighborhood.
  - Multiple meetings were suggested to mitigate concerns of neighbors.
  - It isn't clear how many people can stay in total -- # of individuals vs. families.
  - Why would the County allow people with children to sleep in cars where it is cold? Why can't they find a better option?
  - Valerie Chapman suggested those providing feedback be as specific as possible; maybe not universally against, just concerned about these things.
  - Al Smith, owner of Oak Grove Day Care, said he had concerns when a continuation school, New Urban, was coming to Oak Grove Blvd. None of his worries materialized. Then he was concerned about two bars opening in close proximity to the day care. Again, there haven't been any issues. Since it seems like King of Kings has really tried to accommodate neighbors with these latest changes, perhaps we can give them the benefit of the doubt and see how it goes, encouraging further open houses where people can continue to provide feedback.

- Z0198-19
  - Waiting to hear back

**NEW APPLICATIONS:**

- Z02222-19-HO – 4585 SE Aldercrest
  - Home Occupation – Bed and Breakfast
  - Meets criteria for approval.
- Z0231-19 – 17246 SE Oatfield
  - Home Occupation – Bed and Breakfast
  - Meets criteria. We can submit a response about this application.
  - Baldwin van der Bijl asked whether or not the applicant stated AirBnB or bed and breakfast on their application. Joseph said it was a bed and breakfast because the County hasn't yet approved AirBnB rentals, though they have held lots of meetings about it and could approve it soon.

**MOTION: Valerie Chapman** moved that we send a letter to the County recommending they accept the application. **Lynn Fisher** seconded. The motion passed UNANIMOUSLY.

- Z0274-19-R -- 13100 SE Laurie Ave. -- Dock
  - Likely to be approved as it meets the criteria.

**MOTION: Valerie** moved that we accept the application. **Lynn** seconded. The motion passed UNANIMOUSLY.

- Z0275-19 -- 14905 SE River Forest Dr. -- Dock
  - Likely to be approved as it meets the criteria

**MOTION: Valerie** moved that we accept the application. **Fred Sawyer** seconded. It passed UNANIMOUSLY.

- VR-2019-004 -- 5111 SE Lake Road (City of Milwaukie) – Variance to allow four businesses at this Wellness Center site. We could hold off making a decision to gather more info or input from the neighbors, but since the site has plenty of parking and has already been operating with multiple businesses that are not high-traffic and abuts busy streets with only one adjacent residence, it is likely to be approved.

**MOTION:** Valerie moved that we do an in-depth review of the neighborhood regarding this application before recommending it for approval. **Annette Guariello** seconded. Two members opposed. It passed by MAJORITY VOTE.

- Z0254-19-SS – 1400 block SE Maple Street -- 7-lot subdivision between Laurie and River Road
  - We will review at July 8<sup>th</sup> board meeting
- Z0292-19 – 1555 SE River Forest Rd. (CMP)
  - Pending
- Z0292-19-HO -- 4250 SE Cardinal Street (Painting Business)
  - Pending

<b>8:10 p.m.</b>	<b>Committee Updates</b>	<b>Discussion led by:</b>
	<b>Historic Downtown Oak Grove (HDOG)</b>	<b>Annette Guariello</b>
<p>HDOG’s design team is trying to upgrade Arista to make it look more welcoming. Landscaping efforts are pending proposals to bring in water.</p> <p>On Saturday, Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>, HDOG will host its 3<sup>rd</sup>-annual Trolley Trail Festival. Last year 2,000 people participated and we anticipate even more this year.</p> <p>At the next OGCC meeting, Annette will pass out a survey to identify 12 priorities – a feeder list. They also will be available to fill out at the Trolley Trail Fest.</p>		
	<b>McLoughlin Area Plan Implementation Team (MAP-IT)</b>	<b>Nate Ember</b>
<p>The BCC approved moving forward on Phase II of the Park Avenue Station Area Community Project. The Park Avenue Community Advisory Committee (PACAC) will be a crucial component of the development process, which is designed to be citizen-led. Phase II is the most critical. There will be a consultant hired but also 10 representatives from the community representing different groups, i.e., renters, homeowners, mobile homeowners, single- and multi-family residents, etc. Equity is important in this process, so we want a variety of socioeconomic groups represented. OGCC members are encouraged to sign up to do coordinated outreach. PACAC applications are due to the county by Aug. 1.</p>		
	<b>Oak Grove-Lake Oswego (OGLO) Ped/Bike Bridge</b>	<b>Joseph Edge</b>
<p>The OGLO citizens advisory group met May 29<sup>th</sup> and undertook a values discussion and learned about connectivity and safety concerns. We want to make sure we make positive impacts on the environment and decisions compatible with residents’ recreation goals. Also ensure it’s compatible with the neighborhoods on each side, with land-use planning. The next meeting is July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Feel free to email Joseph at <a href="mailto:contact@oakgrovecpo.org">contact@oakgrovecpo.org</a> with any feedback.</p>		
	<b>Advisory Boards and Commissions</b>	<b>Joseph Edge</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current recruitments:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Budget Committee – deadline <b>July 12</b></li> <li>○ Clackamas Workforce Partnership – deadline <b>September 12</b></li> <li>○ Mental Health &amp; Addictions Council – deadline <b>July 1</b></li> <li>○ NCPRD - District Advisory Board – deadline <b>July 3</b></li> <li>○ Solid Waste Commission – deadline June 21 (closed)</li> <li>○ Tourism Development Council – deadline <b>July 2</b></li> <li>○ Veterans Advisory Council – deadline June 27 (closed)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

To apply, visit: <https://web3.clackamas.us/abc/>

8:40 p.m.	Announcements	Discussion led by:
	<p><b>Friends of Oak Lodge Public Library (FOLPL)</b>            The third-annual Garden Tour will take place Saturday, July 13th. It's a wonderful event featuring five private gardens, plus the Seed Garden and the Risley Landing Garden. Tickets are \$10 and are available on the website <a href="https://www.folpl.org/events">https://www.folpl.org/events</a>. You are also invited to support our current and future Oak Lodge Library by becoming a Friends member. Membership applications are available on the FOLPL website or at the library.</p>	<p><b>Joan Hamilton</b></p>
8:50 p.m.	<p><b>Schedule review:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Future OGCC Meetings - 7 pm at Rose Villa - Performing Arts Center:  <b>July 24</b>, Aug 28, Sep 25, Oct 23</li> <li>● Future OGCC Board Meetings - 6:45 pm at Oak Lodge Fire Station:  <b>July 8</b> (@ OLWS HQ), Aug 1, Sep 5, Oct 3</li> </ul>	<p><b>Joseph Edge</b></p>
9:04 p.m.	<p><b>Adjourn</b></p>	