

Surfside Community Relations Committee Meeting Minutes

Convened Tuesday, October 7, 2014 @ 1:10 p.m.

Present: Ann Thoreson, Sheila Wallace, Valerie Harrison, Sandy Clancy, Louise Purdin, Kirby Smith, James Clancy (guest)

OLD BUSINESS

1. Chili Cook-Off –

- a. Event was a great success:
 - i. Location of Oysterville Schoolhouse contributed to success with 120 attendees
 - ii. Music by both groups was great
 - iii. There were 17 chili entries and 82 people voted
 - iv. Next year will better organize chili entries; have card in front of chili of what kind it is; keep list of names for each chili entry
 - v. Bake sale was successful; recommend just donations for bottles of water
 - vi. Bring extra garbage cans (2-3)
 - vii. Improve set-up for crafts
- b. Received donations of \$305.91 and gave \$152.91 to Ocean Park Food Bank and \$153 to Ocean Park Back Pack Program. Received thank you from Back Pack Program. They have 34 children and 21 families participating in the program.

2. 2015 Budget - Our budget was submitted to budget committee as approved at the CRC September meeting. The Surfside budget goes to printer on October 20th and mailed to members by October 31st. Staff could use some help stuffing envelopes on the 29th or 30th depending on when returned from printer which is expected on the 28th.

3. Surfside Charitable Account – Balance in the account as of August 31, 2014 was \$2500. Scholarship checks have cleared. Have received a thank you from both recipients.

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- a. Scheduled Oct 26th from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM at HOA building (events scheduled by other groups on the 25th so decided Sunday afternoon of the 26th would be better)
 - b. Ann and Sheila will demonstrate how to make a terrarium and participants can keep ones they make (can bring their own container); will have small pumpkins for children to decorate for Halloween
 - c. Ann will donate a unique pumpkin for a door prize and donations will be collected for the Ocean Park Food Bank

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- d. Sheila will purchase 15 small pumpkins and markers (two packs) for decorating
 - e. Ann will obtain and bring gravel, charcoal, rubber plants, and soil. Team will look for items to use for terrariums (clear glass containers wide enough to stick your hand to place plants); need about 15; let Ann know what you find
 - f. Sandy will develop flyer; once flyer approved Sandy will post on Chinookville and Peninsula-ville
 - g. Sheila will place in Chinook Observer
 - h. Ann will talk to Chuck about placing event signs
 - i. Sheila will bring water and soda that is leftover from chili cook-off; ice chest and ice
5. **Welcome Bags** – Sheila checked with Harmony soap people and will donate soaps for Welcome Bags; Ann and Louise have been obtaining flyers from local businesses; Louise has put together additional bags; check of bags during meeting and currently the office has enough available.
7. **Activity Ideas – winter months:**
- a. Bunco, Dominoes, Potluck; recommend start with Bunco at HOA building; we will provide prizes – start in January of 2015
 - b. Have participants bring own refreshments
 - c. Advertise activities in the Weekender and Surfside Facebook
8. **Survey Questions** – CRC desires input from membership on activities they would like to see in Surfside. Survey will be sent out with new budget. Questions are:
- a. The Surfside Community Relations Committee (CRC) purpose is to increase member involvement and participation in the community and to plan, implement, and improve activities for members. The committee would like your input on the types of activities that you would like them to organize. Please check all that apply and also add any additional ideas/recommendations you have:
 - i. ☐ Game activities like bunco, dominoes, etc.
 - ii. ☐ Group outings (local) like dinner, boat rides, shopping, movie, Zip-lining
 - iii. ☐ Group outings (not local) like shows in Portland, casino, etc.
 - iv. ☐ Group get-togethers like potluck, coffeehouse night, karaoke, etc.
 - v. ☐ Community garden
 - vi. Other ideas: _____
9. **Foster children** – Received updated DSHS on foster children in the area and request for donations will go out with the budget.
10. **Emergency Management Brochure** – Emergency Management Committee will be mailing to each house of where would need to go/walk in case of a tsunami. Idea to conduct scavenger hunt with children to help them learn the escape walking routes. Will discuss further when brochures are available.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. **Lands and Buildings Committee Chairman, James Clancy** – presented a proposal for CRC to assist with a public hearing for the Water Utility and proposed plans for space on the West side of canal at Veteran's Park:
 - a. **Public Hearing on Water Efficiency -** would like the CRC committee to assist with the following public meeting:
 - i. Law requires Water Utility to have a one-time public hearing to consider Adoption of Water Use Efficiency (WUE) goals and measures. Meeting is planned for February 2015.
 - ii. CRC committee will consider and decide at next meeting.
 - b. **Veteran's Park Landscaping** – requesting input from CRC committee on proposed landscaping of land west of canal at Veteran's Park:
 - i. Revitalize area; have member complaint of weeds and look of the area
 - ii. Current proposal is to kill-off weeds, place ground cloth, place gravel, and install a removable bollard to limit vehicle traffic
 1. CRC has three possible recommendations instead of gravel:
 - a. Ground cover be grass so would be more useable by homeowners and children and include some trees/shrubs; would require watering and maintenance by Gil and crew
 - b. Community garden and CRC would manage; would need to be fenced
 - c. Redwood chips; would need containment to keep them in place
 - iii. James will take CRC recommendations to Land and Buildings committee and develop cost estimates; the BOD would be the ultimate decision maker

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, November 4th AT 1:00 P.M.

Adjourned at 3:40 p.m.