STAFFORD HAMLET BOARD MEETING

Minutes

September 8, 2020

Chair Bill Markt called the September 8th Board meeting of the Stafford Hamlet to order at approximately 7:30 pm on Zoom.

Attendance:

- ♦ Board Members Present: Jane Comer, John Keith, Katy Krider, Jana Lombardi, Bill Long, Patty Mamula, Bill Markt, Len Schaber
- * Excused: Richard Fiala
- ♦ Absent:
- ❖ Staff Present: Katie Wilson (Clackamas County)

The agenda was presented and approved unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes:

The August 11, 2020 Community and Board minutes were presented for review. John Keith made the motion to approve the minutes, and Jana Lombardi seconded the motion. **Vote**: approved, 8 - yes, 0 - no, 0 - abstain.

Community Vision Plan (CVP) Update:

Bill Markt asked Katie Wilson to provide an update on the County's plans for voting. Katie Wilson said the County is working on how to run the election for the Hamlet. The County is studying ways to make remote voting work, and there is a different finance mechanism used for this due to COVID. The County is looking into running the election in-house instead of using a private vendor. The hope is that the in-house project could be more sustainable in the long run and could provide some cost savings. The County is also looking into a vote by mail option, which would also make it easier to add other votes such as the CVP or the Community Planning Organization (CPO) election. The County would be using a bulk mail permit, and would likely ask all the Hamlets to do their elections at the same time. The County is moving towards a January vote because in their meetings with Election Buddy it was said that doing a mail in vote in November could cause confusion with general election ballots.

Katie Wilson said the County is also working on sending out postcards to households and businesses since the County does not know how many people in each residence are eligible to vote in Hamlet elections. The County will likely ask people to register for the Hamlet elections so the County knows how many ballots to send out and would allow the County to ensure registrants are eligible to vote. The County is working through the logistics of determining if the County has the resources to carry out such a vote.

Patty Mamula asked where would the ballot go when it is mailed back in to the County. Patty asked where it would be mailed to. Katie Wilson said it would go to the County. Katie said they are looking into partnering with the Clerk's office for security mechanisms.

Bill Markt said he is concerned about how long the process has been taking and if the timeline is achievable. Bill asked if there was a way for the Hamlet leadership to have a virtual meeting and discuss logistics and ask questions. Katie Wilson said she could check in with the County to determine a date to meet and discuss the plans.

Annual Update with the Board of County Commissioners (BCC):

Katie Wilson said the meeting with the Commissioners will be on October 6th instead of the previous week because more time needed to be allotted for the Hamlet. The Hamlet will have 30 minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Bill Long said he is still waiting for a bank statement. He estimates the Hamlet has just over \$2,000 in the bank account. He will confirm the amount as soon as he gets a bank statement. Bill Long asked people to please submit any requests for reimbursement. Bill Long said the trust account has \$8,907 plus about \$400.

Committee Reports - Programming:

Jana Lombardi said the West Linn-Wilsonville School District will be attending the October meeting to discuss the changes made to the plan for the storage facility that was presented. Patty Mamula asked if the School District had changed just the facility by Stafford School and if they had any comment on the other bond projects? Jana said she did not think there were any updates about the other projects. Bill Markt said Katy Krider has had a lot of contact about the project by Stafford School. Patty asked if the district would update on any other projects. Katy Krider said the District has declined to do an update on the Dollar Street site because of the outreach they have done on that project. Katy said they have a limited budget and do not have money for extra outreach on Dollar Street. Katy said they are willing to do an update on the storage facility plans. The district did listen to the Hamlet and is willing to make some changes. Bill markt said thank you to Katy Krider and Rich Fiala for all their hard work.

Bill Markt said at the October meeting there will be more information and discussion about the Willamette United Soccer Club proposal.

<u>Committee Reports - PR/Lobby/Advocacy</u>: Rich Fiala was not at the meeting and no update was given.

<u>Committee Reports - Communications:</u>

Patty Mamula said the Communications committee has not met.

Patty Mamula said there are questions they would like to present to people who are running for office. Patty said that Katy Krider got started on it. Patty asked if this was a topic for the Board or the Communications committee. The goal was to create a list of questions and send it to the candidates, then post the responses on the website. Bill Markt said he thought the Hamlet should do it and see what responses they get. Bill said he thought the scripting of the questions could happen offline.

Katy Krider sent her question to all three Mayoral candidates for Lake Oswego. She has received a reply from Joe Buck, and she said it was thoughtful and long. John LaMotte sent a note saying thank you for your inquiry and that he would get back to her with a more thoughtful response. Katy has not heard back from Theresa Kohlhoff. Katy had sent in her question to Theresa before an online Town Hall and did not hear back. Katy's question was ???

Committee Reports - Family Fest:

Bill Markt said the Family Fest is not happening due to the pandemic.

Committee Reports - Historic/Wildlife: No report was given.

<u>Committee Reports - Volunteers</u>: Bill Markt said the topic was covered during the Community meeting.

Committee Reports - Agriculture: No report was given.

Committee Reports - Outside Our Borders:

Rick Cook said the I-5 and I-205 tolling projects are still in development. John Keith said that letters had been sent to C 4. The desire is to see money collected from tolls stay in the same area.

Rick Cook said CCI will help with the Leaders' Meeting. Katie Wilson said the next Community Leaders Meeting is scheduled for October 7. The focus is transportation and development. There will be updates about the Community Road Fund and other topics. Katie Wilson said CCI will interview applicants soon. Katie said CCI is looking forward to planning for 2021 and goals for the community involvement program.

Bill Markt asked if there should be a meeting with Lake Oswego Parks and Recreation to talk about how Luscher Farm is evolving. Bill said he saw value in communicating with the city and finding out more information about the plans. He asked if it should be at a Community meeting or outside of the normal meetings. Patty Mamula said she thought the Hamlet should hear from the City. She said it would impact the area. Rick Cook said that the swimming pool and the recreation center are a done deal. He said he would like to see the City meet with the Hamlet. He thought that meeting sooner rather than later is good with the UGB hearing coming up. Rick said that the City will have new Councilors in January, so it would be good to meet soon. Bill Markt said the Hamlet could voice concerns, ask for clarifications, and comment on proposals.

Board consensus was to try to meet with the City before November. Rick Cook said he would set up the meeting before September 29 if possible.

John Keith made a motion to meet with the City before September 29th and have Rick Cook coordinate, and Len Schaber seconded the motion.

Vote: approved, 8 - yes, 0 - no, 0 - abstain.

Bill asked if the meeting would be hosted by Lake Oswego or the Hamlet with Katie Wilson's assistance.

Rick Cook said he sent out an email with all the projects the City has proposed for Stevens Meadow and Luscher Farm.

Adjournment: Chair Bill Markt adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:15 pm.