



DRAFT MINUTES

50+ ADVISORY BOARD

Thursday, September 22, 2011
8:30 a.m.
West End Building – Yamhill Room
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1. Roll Call

Tom Brennan, Marcia Robertson, Edwin Blossom, Councilor Jordan, Ann Adrian, Teresa O'Halloran. Present by phone Janine Dunphy. Absent: Gail Zimmerman and Debbie Harris

2. Approve June 23 Meeting Minutes

Marcia Robertson made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted; Tom Brennan seconded the motion. June minutes approved as submitted.

3. Open Public Communication

The purpose of citizen comment is to allow citizens to present information or raise an issue regarding items not on the agenda. A time limit of five minutes per citizen shall apply.

Lake Oswego citizen Gene Arnold was present for public comment. He spoke of an article in the New York Times from Monday, September 19, 2011, regarding the use of EMTs in senior homes to assist on a proactive educational basis in order to reduce the number of "emergency" calls. EMTs receive compensation for the number of calls they receive, however in this case they would not. It is an effort to cut down on emergency calls, Mr. Arnold thought that maybe this article and this project may be of interest to this board and perhaps the community.

Councilor Jordan added that currently our EMTs do not do this, but do come out to help lift seniors who may have fallen. Councilor Jordan said she would email the city manager and the fire chief regarding this article and the efforts here in Lake Oswego which may be similar.

Marcia added that she believed Lake Oswego EMTs will come out to assist with fire alarms, changing batteries and other non-emergency type situations.

4. Old Business

4.1 Comprehensive Plan Update

The Comp Plan had a small break over the summer in preparation for the next steps. There are grant monies available for Goals 9 and 10 that needed to be submitted, a draft was created. City staff has been focused on how to roll out the plan, the two scenarios that came out of the public and CAC meetings, as well as reviewing all of the elements of the vision statement in an effort to involve the community, as well as involving the Planning Commission as necessary. The process has been very involved and will need to be laid out before moving forward.

Councilor Jordan added that the consultant just presented to City Council on the outcomes of the study centered on goals 9 and 10.

Tom Brennan added that the population bubble in the 50+ demographic was startling as it came out in the review stage. This population is going to demand a different type of service due to this demographic and the space available within the city. This population shift will dictate how this city plans. More information will be forthcoming regarding alternate housing options. It is a complex and interesting problem the city is facing.

Councilor Jordan asked when the next meeting would be and Tom did not know when that public meeting would be. Councilor Jordan thinks it may be in October now. The next CAC is next Wednesday, September 28 from 4-6pm in the City Council chambers at City Hall.

4.2 City Council Update

Councilor Jordan will remain the liaison for this board until January 2012 when the council goal setting occurs and the councilors are assigned to the various boards.

City Council took the month of August off. DEQ finally signed off on the LOIS project, which came in under budget and on time.

Park bonds and other bonds were refinanced saving several hundreds of thousands of dollars over time. The interest is under 2%.

The newest park, Sundeleaf Plaza, is schedule for dedication on Monday, September 26 at 4:30pm. The neighboring movie theatre is proposing some changes to their business to include more events that can occur in that venue. For example, having drinks and food while watching the movie or during other programming brought into the theatre. The new outside area is intended to be both a public and private area depending on the when the movie theatre is open.

Marcia Robertson added that there should be more publicity of this public and private partnership so that citizens understand.

The Lake Oswego/Tigard water project is running into some issues regarding where the intake pipe comes into the treatment facility. The increasing size of the pipe is in opposition to West Linn's sensitive lands ordinance, and as a result, Lake Oswego has to find a new location for the pipe. Therefore, that segment of the project will probably be more expensive that first anticipated.

However, other phases may be less expensive.

Update on 1st and B – LORA (Lake Oswego Redevelopment Agency) is moving forward with acquiring the Lacey's property. This is in an effort to move the Library using public and private partnerships. A bond measure may be necessary for this Library project. The vision is to have a mixed use of retail, flat- type housing, and the library all together.

It appears that the City will have \$2 million plus in surplus from the last fiscal year. It was reported that council has discussed restoring the \$400,000 taken from the Library fund that was used for the schools. Decisions will not be made until the actual audit is completed and a final number determined.

Police/911 report is coming next month to the City Council. There has not been much talk about the WEB property housing the police/911 center. However, the front lawn has been eyed for this service to be housed.

The property the library currently resides at needs to be addressed as to what to do with it after the facility is moved. A field trip to view other local libraries is being planned. This is to get an idea for the types of things that make a library more efficient today. Additionally community meeting rooms is also a priority.

4.3 ACC (Adult Community Center) Update

The Slope Project phase two is in place. Parking is lost on the east side of the building which is creating many challenges. The rocks are in and the positioning of the new slope is next.

The ACC is looking at programming more in the evening and/or on weekends. New memberships have tripled since accreditation. Accreditation was awarded over the summer and included compliments on the partnership the ACC has with the City and LOMN (Lake Oswego Meal Network), and the CLC (Computer Learning Center). ACC staff was praised highly for their customer service and professionalism. In 2016 the ACC must reapply for accreditation.

The ACC was closed for two weeks in August and much work was done to the downstairs. New flooring, walls, paint, lighting, etc... Staff was extremely busy. The roof was restored and is beautiful.

Repurposing rooms at the ACC is now a priority in order to accommodate the increase in exercise programs. The teaching of how to use computers and the painting arts are declining in participants. Two public kiosks with computers were added for public internet/email access.

Next phase is the furniture.

Partnering with other entities is also a focus, ie: Marylhurst and Oakridge.

Councilor Jordan added that Mary's Wood was bringing in social services providers and creating their own residential service provider to assist seniors within the compound instead of bringing in many different providers. It is called Mary's Woods Caregiver Service.

Oakridge is opening in November. Ann Adrian has met with the leaders who are interested in working together with the ACC. The 44 units at Oakridge, which includes a resident manager unit, is age and income based.

5. New Business

5.1 Election of New Chair

Janine Dunphy nominated Tom Brennan for chair, Edwin Blossom seconded that motion. Tom Brennan is now chair.

Prior to vice chair discussion, Tom asked about the interviews of the reported 5 new applicants. According to Councilor Jordan, the interviewing will be arranged in mid October. She is going to double check with Sally Moncrieff as she does the scheduling of interviews. Jane McGarvin confirmed that it was still ok that Tom be nominated even though he is part of the application process. Sounds like a new full board will not be until possibly October, maybe November.

Currently we are postponing the nomination & election of a vice chair.

Tom Brennan reviewed the response from the city engineer regarding the memo requesting more ADA parking additions. Some requests were not workable due to ADA requirements. Tom reminded us that once you have an ADA parking permit, you can park anywhere and the limits and/or fees do not apply to you.

The Library was the only location that was approved for additional ADA installation.

5.2 Set Next Meeting Date – Oct 27 at 8:30 a.m.

5.3 Adjourn Meeting