

CLINTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Clinton Community Council Meeting Minutes February 28, 2022, Zoom Meeting 6:00 – 7:30 PM

1. Call to Order

Dave Hoogerwerf

Present: Council: Christina Swan, Carol Flax, Michael Clyburn, Don Simmons, Dave Hoogerwerf, Jill Engstrom, Shawn Fowler, Doug Hofius, Curt Gordon, Janae Cameron, Jon Forbes

Absent: Kristina Macarro,

Guests: Mayzie Shaver, Melanie Bacon, John Lanier, Doug Brand

2. Approval of Minutes of November 2021 Meeting

Christina moved, Doug Hofius second. All in favor

Approval of Minutes of January 2022 Meeting

Doug H moved, Christina second, all in favor

3. Treasurer's Report - Account Status

Don Simmons

Jan 31 bank interest + \$.04

Feb 28 bank balance \$2476.33

IRS report for 2021 filed

4. Project Updates/Discussion

a. Gateway Planning Update

John Lanier/Curt G/Doug H

John L – board should be doing final approval in work session on Weds. Good info on Clinton work plan. Michael asked about Clinton sub section of comp plan and NMUGA. Does gateway project include that? John doesn't know answer. Doug stated that this should be separated from zoning update discussion. John agreed it should be separated. Issue is NMUGAs can have sewers. Freeland is one. Dave reminded us that we don't want to be NMUGA. Community agreement to this. Janae said that it's good to have in plan if needed in future. Curt said zoning changes are instead of NMUGA. Melanie Bacon said all commissioners are looking at is zoning code clean-up for this year.

b. Ken's Corner Project presentation

Doug H

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Doug deferred to others who know more about this. Curt said funding is committed for this – \$4.3 million +/- . Won't need much acquisition of right of way. Project will be done around 2026. Mayzie – Dave got us the additional funding. Also federal funding through Rick Larsen's office. See attached info on Clinton to Ken's Korner trail. Curt will bring us any info that comes through RTPO. Rural mobility grant went to bid and was way too high (discussed last month). Doug mentioned inflation means that there's question if this will be enough money in four years. Curt said there are always supplemental funds if it comes down to last minute without enough funding.

- c. Planning for Bayview's Future- -Goosefoot Michael C/Jill Engstrom
Michael said Goosefoot has changed their housing focus because no property owners in Bayview willing to step up for this. Group working on creating housing org hasn't met yet so no new info on that. More to come in future. Curt asked about 40 unit project that had been discussed. Currently paused.
- d. Clinton Progressive Association Board Dave Hoogerwerf
Hall is having changes, which we've seen through new rental plan. Dave discussed that we don't do fundraising to pay for hall usage and he's concerned that Hall board isn't doing fundraising for local non-profit rentals. Now Hall wants to withdraw from Council. He is very unhappy about that and wants council feedback. He plans to tell Sue when he meets with her that he thinks that someone should represent Hall on Council. Carol discussed her time as president and how CPA is important part of community. Michael said that Hall used to charge everyone except Council because we have no fund raising ability. Curt asked Don Simmons to voice opinion on Hall's purpose. Don said hall belongs to community and is not a private club house. Council is in agreement that Hall needs to be active part of community and remain part of Council.
- e. Dan Porter Park Cleanup update Christina S
Easter egg hunt coming up. Park needs clean-up. There are homeless folks living in park in various sites. She has talked to Whidbey homeless coalition, parks dept and others. Concern of safety of kids using park. Jan from Parks said they'd pick up anything we clean up in park but didn't commit to helping with clean up. Lots of downed branches. She needs to know if Council is ready to do a clean-up and can we schedule toward end of March. We may have to limit area where kids can hunt eggs because of homeless folks. Spring break week of April 4 probably. March 26 tentative date. Christina will send out email to get this confirmed. Dave asked Melanie what County's position is on homeless folks in park. State's property so County can't do anything. Very difficult problem to deal with all over county.

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f. CCC Planning Workshop-Scheduling (again) Dave Hoogerwerf

All ok with meeting in person. April 30 tentative date.

5. Member/Organization Updates

a. Clinton Water District Jill Engstrom
All's good.

b. Clinton Library Carol Flax
Library and FOCL also working on dealing with homeless folks next to library. No other report.

c. Clinton Progressive Association Mike Gerhardt
Absent

d. Chamber of Commerce Shawn Fowler
Easter egg hunt coming up. Shawn is Chamber rep. Christina – Easter egg hunt Sat Apr 16. Will be sending out call for volunteers on day and also before event to do prep. We want to make this a great event for everyone. There will be porta potties and wash station at event.

e. South Whidbey School District
School board position has been filled. Christina asked Kristie if there's anyone else who could represent schools. We need to figure out how to get someone onto Council.

f. Port of South Whidbey Curt Gordon
Not much new news. Signed contract for design on passenger ferry dock. Looking for funding for design and permitting on workforce housing at fair grounds. Hopes to get some \$\$ through legislature for housing. Hat Island ferry idea faded away for now. Dave asked about any progress on Mukilteo parking situation. Curt will be on task force with Joe Marine and some others to look at properties at waterfront for potential parking lots. May be some progress on this issue.

g. Ferries Dave Hoogerwerf

Getting lots of complaints about poor ferry service in last few months. Mariner shortage is one excuse. Dave is working on trying to find out if there's any way to correct some of the issues with ferries. He doesn't see ferries doing anything about this. Hopefully advisory council can.

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| 6. New Business | | All |
| None | | |
| 7. Public Input | | All |
| None | | |
| 8. Adjourn | 7:29pm | Dave Hoogerwerf |

Next meeting: March 28, 2022

Respectfully submitted, Carol Flax, Secretary, Clinton Community Council