

CLINTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Clinton Community Council Meeting Minutes
July 29, 2024
6:00-7:30 PM

1. Call to Order 6:01pm Carol Flax

Attendance:

Present: Don Simmons, Michael Clyburn, Curt Gordon, Carol Flax, Jennifer Cox, Phyllis Alexander, Emily Switzer

via ZOOM: Joe Greenheron, Mike Gerhardt, Shauna Causey

Absent: Dave Hoogerwerf, Jon Forbes, Brandon Wise

Guests: Melanie Bacon, County Commissioner; Doug Brand, Clinton resident

2. Approval of June Minutes: Curt moved, Emily 2nd, approved

3. Treasurer's Report – Account and Budget Status Don Simmons
Written report submitted. Our current balance: \$2161.12. We have dropped our voice mail phone number.

4. Public Comments: no comments.

5. Project Updates/Discussion
 a. Clinton Gateway Update Emily Neff
No report.

 b. Affordable Housing Update Michael C.
Island Roots Housing had several public outreach booths this summer including at the Whidbey Island Fair.

 c. Legislative Committee Shauna Causey
No report.

6. Member/Organization Updates
 a. Clinton Water District Don Simmons

Water still flowing and all is well. We are wrapping up the study of water lines that may contain lead or other hazardous materials. Still installing electric meters. There is no plan to raise rates.

b. Friends of Clinton Library

Phyllis Alexander

We bought a new outside table for the library with the funds from the Goose round-up fund. It is so popular we voted to buy another one. Next book sale is September 28.

c. South Whidbey Parks and Recreation

Jennifer Cox

State Fish and Wildlife has finished their review of the Deer Lake dock repair project and are working on permits. Hope to remove damaged parts by 8/31. There is music in the Park tomorrow night – Doc Savage, at 6pm.

d. Clinton Community Hall

No update.

e. Chamber of Commerce

Emily Switzer

We are getting plaques to accompany art pieces, with information about the piece. We are working on a map of where they are located. We are getting requests from more businesses for one of their own. Our next meeting is September 17. Our annual member meeting is November 12.

f. South Whidbey School District

Joe Greenheron

No report.

g. Port of South Whidbey

Curt Gordon

The Island Regional Transportation Planning Organization (IRTPO) has not met yet so there is no update on the second half of the sidewalk project. The Port received \$1.8 million from the federal government for the passenger-only ferry dock. This completes our funding. We put \$100,000 in repairs at the fairground prior to this year's fair

h. Ferries

Dave Hoogerwerf

No report.

7. New Business

The two forums were very successful – full house, respectful audience.

Community meeting: Broad discussion of whether to move forward with grant applications. Several members expressed preference to focus on projects we can do. Several members expressed support for moving forward. The application is due August 31 with award announcements expected in November. It was noted that our bylaws require us to have another community meeting this calendar year.

Motion to table the topic: Curt. 2nd: Don

Vote: 5 yes / 5 no.

Motion to move forward with application to Whidbey Community Foundation, with board to approve at August meeting: Mike G. 2nd: Shauna

Motion approved.

It was agreed we should focus our fall community meeting on the Sub-area plan and schedule for mid-November, possibly 18th or 19th.

The county public meeting on the Clinton Sub-Area Plan was fairly well attended and gathered community feedback. We will invite Emily Neff to our August meeting to discuss our fall public meeting.

Park clean-up: no update

Next meeting: August 26, 6pm.

8. Adjourn 7:45 pm