

River Community Advisory Committee
Minutes of the Meeting of May 7, 2015

Meeting Time: 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Meeting Location: 1900 SW 4th Avenue, Suite 5000, Meeting Room 5e,
Portland, Oregon

Members Present: Larry Walter, Chair; Sam Galbreath, Vice-Chair; George Fetzer, Secretary; David Grant, retiring member; Martha Baily, retiring member.

Others Present: Melissa Hopkins, BDS; Rick Christiansen and Jesse Fox, member applicants; and Richard Aanderud, member candidate for the Appeals Board.

Absent: David Horstkotte, member applicant, Mitch Nickolds, BDS

Membership Roster:

The meeting began with a review of the membership roster, whose terms are expiring, who is renewing and what new members have applied. It was agreed that members whose terms have expired will continue to serve until their replacements are sworn in. Otherwise, the committee would only have one current member and be unable to meet or conduct business for an extended period of time.

Melissa reported that although prospective new members may have applied for vacant positions, the application process is handled by the Neighborhood Involvement Office, and BDS has not yet seen any of the applications.

Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the March 12, 2015 meeting were approved without objection.

Introduction and Orientation of New Members

Everyone was introduced and the application process and status was reviewed. Rick needs to apply on-line. Melissa will email the instructions to him. The code specifies no one may serve more than two consecutive terms on the RCAC, so David Grant and Martha Baily are leaving but will be serving on the Appeals Board now. Larry and Sam can renew their seats and continue to serve. Richard was nominated to serve on the Appeals Board and Melissa will also send him application information.

Update on Efforts to Contact New Members

The vacancies on RCAC will be filled as soon as the application process is finalized. David Horstkotte has applied but couldn't attend today's meeting. The goal is to have the new members sworn in at the next meeting on September 10, 2015.

Update on Title 28 Changes/Progress (BDS)

Melissa reported that Nancy Thorington is not in the City Attorney's Office as previously believed. She is a policy analyst for BDS. There is no news on the Title 28 changes. The goal is for the RCAC is to review the final draft a few weeks before the next meeting so that committee can recommend it on September 10th. Melissa will email the final draft to members in advance.

Report on WOOO Banquet

David Grant gave a brief review of the WOOO banquet and explained what WOOO is. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Tyee Yacht Club at 7:00 p.m.

Status of the Title 28 Adoption by Multco

While it does not directly effect the RCAC, the adoption of Title 28 in Multnomah County is good to encourage consistency and eventually have the code adopted throughout the state. It is important to note that a few agencies still do not recognize that floating homes are a “water dependent activity.”

Derelict/Dangerous Structures:

Mitch previously requested that this item be deferred until September 10 when he will be able to attend.

Future/Pending Agenda Items

1. Swearing in of new members – next meeting - Melissa
2. Update on Derelict/Dangerous Structures – Mitch
3. Ask BDS rep to give an overview of the application review/approval process with special emphasis on the Planning/Lane Use side - Terry Whitehill, Bill Quilan
4. Discussion of scheduling training for floating home inspectors and enforcement staff. Last training was about three years ago.
5. Inspection/Permitting of structures moved into the city from other locations.

Next Meetings:

Sept 10, Nov 12