

CPO 3 Meeting, Washington County February 16, 2023

The meeting was called to order by the chairperson, Rob Skinner at 6:30 pm.

Panelists in attendance were:

Carol Renaud, Washington Co

Rob Skinner, CPO 3 Chair

Eric Christenson, CPO 3 Member at Large

Stan Houseman CCI Rep.

Ben Marcotte, CCI Rep.

Justin Dyke, Tualatin Valley Water District

Chris Lueneburg, Wa. Co. Land Use and Transportation

Lulu Ballesteros, Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District

Patti Schilaski, Wa. Co. Sheriff

Deputy Morton, Wa. Co. Sheriff

Fran Warren, CPO 1 and TreeKeepers of Washington Co.

Kirstin Lurtz, Neighbors for Wetland Preservation

The meeting began with introductions and regular service reports.

Washington County Sheriff Office

Patti Schilasky gave an update regarding the recent activity of the Sheriff's Dept with regard to the crime map. Most thefts in the last month were related to ID theft, credit card fraud, continued package thefts, and a few car break-ins.

Deputy Morton discussed the youth Search and Rescue Program, open to Washington County youth ages 14-17, starting March 20th and 25th. This is a great program that will teach teens as Cadets through their senior year of high school. Exposure to nature, search and rescue, teamwork and other important life skills. Highly recommend.

Tualatin Valley Water

Justin Dyke gave a brief update regarding the continued construction of the new water supply along Scholls Ferry Rd to Allen Blvd. Work is moving along as scheduled. The new reservoir construction along Taylors Ferry Rd will commence in July with the demolition of the old reservoirs. 70% of the funding will be coming from FEMA (federal grant), and this has had an impact on the timing of the project.

Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District (THPRD)

Lulu Ballesteros reviewed upcoming events and board updates. There are 2 positions open for the THPRD Board of Directors.

Upcoming events:

- Preschool Open House
- Garden Home Rec Center will be showing the documentary Buffalo Soldiers this weekend.

- Spring Native Plant Sale starting 2/26/23 at Tualatin Hills Nature Center (info on website)
- Free Fitness in the Park (Zumba on Saturdays at Garden Home Rec Center, Saturdays at 11:00)

Washington County Land Use and Transportation

Chris Lueneberg shared that the planned construction of a crosswalk at Garden Home Road and SW 84th Ave is still on track and is slated to start April 2023 and run for a few months.

Neighbors for Wetland Preservation

Kirstin Lurtz, representing a local neighborhood organization which was formed to protect natural habitat and wetlands along the Fanno Creek Trail, gave a presentation on plans that *The Portland Golf Club* has for dredging their large pond and dumping the tailings (300-500 cubic yards) along the Fanno Creek Nature Trail. The affected stretch of trail is between SW 81st Ave and SW 84th Ave. PGC property borders the Fanno Creek Trail at the golf course's southern boundary. The application filed by PGC states they wish to fill massive semipermeable bags with the dredge sludge in an area that is designated wetland, and drains into Fanno Creek which borders the west edge of their property. The filled bags would be watered for several weeks/months with a sprinkler system in order to leach contaminants out of the sludge. Concern is for loss of environmentally sensitive lands, wildlife habitat and designated wetlands, as well as disruption to the neighborhood, and access to the nature trail. There are also concerns regarding potential direct contamination of Fanno Creek and it's affect on fish and other wildlife downstream. Contact information was given for concerned citizens- they can get information at www.Savewetland.org

TreeKeepers

Fran Warren gave a presentation on the mission of TreeKeepers of Washington County, and discussed some of the recent development projects where TreeKeepers provided valuable input. She pointed out that there is no tree inventory or documentation of trees within the THPRD. She related how neighbors can contact TreeKeepers to arrange for a "tree inventory" of their neighborhoods, and nature walks where identification can take place.

Other announcements:

Washington Co. Commissioner Nafisa Fai will be having an informational meeting at Insomnia, 14723 SW Teal Blvd on Feb 25th, from 9am-12pm.

We are still looking for a CPO 3 Vice Chair, and another Member-At-Large.

The next CPO 3 meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2023 at 6:30 PM via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted:

Rob Skinner, CPO-3 Chair