

**BHT Neighborhood Association
Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2010
West Linn Adult Community Center**

Present: Officers Steve Garner, President; Margaret Tolan, Vice-President; Margaret Juarez, Secretary/Treasurer. Members of the association were present representing a quorum; an attendance register is available upon request.

Call to Order at 7:15 by Steve Garner

Introductions and Review of Agenda

Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes: after minutes of previous meetings were distributed and discussed the following motions were made:

1. October 13, 2009: Steve Inman made a motion to approve, a second was made by Tod Tolan and the motion to approve carried with all in agreement.
2. December 9, 2009: Margaret Tolan made a motion to approve, a second was made by Nancy Inman and the motion to approve carried with all in agreement.
3. January 13, 2010: Frances Hanna made a motion to approve, a second was made by Cindy Garner and the motion to approve carried with all in agreement.
4. February 17, 2010: Cindy Garner made a motion to approve, a second was made by Tod Tolan and the motion to approve carried with all in agreement.

Margaret Juarez will forward copies of the approved minutes to the City of West Linn to post on the BHT NA website.

Committee to Rewrite Bylaws: President Garner began a discussion regarding the current BHT NA bylaws. The association was established in 2002 in an effort to work with the city on traffic calming. It was agreed the bylaws should be updated and volunteers were asked to step forward to create a committee. Cindy Garner, Margaret Tolan and Steve Garner volunteered to form a committee with the assistance of Lynn Fox. A motion was made by Steve Inman with a second by Nancy Inman to establish the committee with the purpose to review and rewrite the document. The motion to approve carried with all in agreement.

Solar Highway and Trail Project: The ODOT / PGE / West Linn project was discussed and concern was expressed by residents. "How will the solar panels affect sound?" Sound has been known to travel up the hillside. "What will rain sound like when it hits 17,000 solar panels?", "How about hail?" "What is the status of the project?" President Garner led a discussion. He met with Jody Carson last week and she has questions and expressed concern about the wetlands, wildfire and fire in general, near and on the project site. She suggests BHT NA members attend the planning commission meeting to present questions and discuss concerns. BHT NA needs to take concerns and turn them into questions for response by ODOT.

On April 8, 2010 President Garner asked Tim Ramos, West Linn Attorney, who is responsible for the land. Apparently, part of the land is zoned R-10, about half of the area. The comprehensive plan of 2008 is still in place. It is important to note:

1. R-10 zoning
2. ODOT has no super-siting authority giving them right of way
3. April 8, 2010 confirmation handout
4. Public comments end April 30, 2010 on ODOT website
5. Ed Lindquist is involved with the Oregon City group opposed to the Solar Highway

What do we do going forward:

1. Comment on ODOT website: it is important to have our voices heard
2. Augment, edit and improve questions

The discussion continued until the **meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.**

Respectively submitted, Margaret Juarez, secretary.