

Beaver Creek Regional Council
Minutes of Meeting
6:00 p.m., July 7, 2010, MRFD Hall

Council attendees: Kala Pearson, Kayo Parsons-Korn, Tom Hawbaker, Maggie Holt, Sharon Brooks, Jim Bowser, RoseMary Barnes, Steve Sprinz. Absent: Irene Klein

Committee Chair attendees: Nancy Rowland, Janet Aniol, Annika Head, Jo Burke, Bob Burke, Pam Segelke.

President Kala Pearson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with Maggie Holt recording.

Following Kayo's question re 501(c)(3) filing fee, to which Kala responded that a filing has not been made to date, it was moved, seconded, and carried to waive the reading of the minutes and approve them as distributed.

Treasurer reported a balance of \$954.62 with no activity. Kala has a bill for approximately \$98 to submit for bookmarks.

Following Kala's announcement that BCRC has had a temporary secretary for the past 3 months, Kayo nominated Maggie to that position, the vote carried, and Maggie assumed the position.

Kala reported that she had a call from Patti Sexton indicating that she would like to represent Concerned Citizens and withdraw their resignation from the Council. This was approved by acclamation. Steve Sprinz resigned from the chair of P&Z but will remain on the committee, and Sharon volunteered to chair same. Open Space committee chair is still open, and Kala will email the BCRC community re same.

Ranch House Coalition: Kala brought the Council and the public up to date on the status of the RHC in that the Board of Supervisors discussed the abandonment of the final plat for the Villas at Beaver Creek (which allowed 137 condo units and a 50-room hotel in place of the Ranch House) at their June 21 meeting, listened to several impassioned position pieces re same, and chose to defer a decision until their July 19 meeting, which is in Cottonwood and starts at 9 a.m. To Pam Segelke's question of support, Kala encouraged individuals to attend. She also reported enough pledges of support (financial, in-kind labor, and materials--not yet receiving actual funds) have been received to warrant making a firm offer of \$500,000 for purchase of the golf course and restaurant, even though the current owners claim to have a buyer at approximately \$2,000,000, and that everything hinges on the BOS's ultimate decision.

Beaver Creek Community Plan Update: Bob Burke presented a comprehensive review of the Plan update, which he is calling Vision 2020 (can see clearly!) following the BOS's announcement of a moratorium on Plans. He reviewed the history, chronology of major committee events, the very high response rate to the survey, and the very good turnout at the community meeting. He reviewed items that were important to the community, read the Vision Statement that resulted from the survey and community meeting, listed goals from each element, and talked about next steps. It was stressed that the committee worked particularly hard to make sure no individual agendas got into the community vision. The goal is to have Vision 2020 completed by end of October 2010. Bob will have a flyer prepared that will emphasize the current need for resident volunteers to work on each of the "element" committees. A copy of his presentation is filed with the minutes. Paul Davis, member of the public attending the meeting, stated that he was very impressed with the practicality of the stated goals.

Legacy Project: Nancy reported that the committee will use the summer to reconnect with the local schools re help with the oral histories (as well as find out what the schools might like to do on their own), then work with them during the fall and winter to accomplish the goal of recording them. She has compiled a list of local residents they hope to record/video. Kala will donate/loan a couple of digital recorders for the project.

Planning & Zoning: Kala reviewed the June report, and discussion ensued re alternative energy sources with an emphasis on wind power. Brett Krippene had attended a recent P&Z Commission meeting and reported that the current feeling of the County seems to be "do no harm" re what citizens can or can't do already and that the biggest

issue seems to be with noise levels of windmills, particularly when several are in close proximity and a reaction among them is set in motion. The County seems to be keeping an open mind on the issue and will probably issue special use permits on an individual basis. There will likely be a comment period with the possibility that it might go to a public hearing.

Water: Pam has been working long hours at a new job until recently but talked to Karin this evening and set up a meeting. She will report at the August meeting. Kala reported that the VRBP has received a \$250,000 award from the Walton Family Foundation that provides some of the needed funding to be able "to coordinate and cooperate in the identification and implementation of comprehensive science-based policies, projects, and management activities relating to the Verde River Basin" according to a Public Law passed but not funded because of lack of membership from the Prescott side.

Transportation: Janet reported that ADOT says it is on target for completion of TI 293 improvements this month and stressed the need for residents to allow extra time while navigating various construction areas. Steve reported that the 2300-foot Rimrock Airport runway has been repaved.

Youth and Family: Annika reported one grant has been received and another application for a larger grant is being considered. They continue to work on the backpack and Aftershock programs. Kala reported that Jo Burke has been appointed to the governing board, which next meets the evening of July 12 (the public is invited to attend).

Public Relations: Jo remarked on issues from the February BCRC workshop, emphasizing the need for communications--thus the bookmarks and the need for more outlets for them. Jim Bowser stated that BCAC will hold a book sale Sep 10-11, suggesting this would be a good place for bookmarks. He also mentioned that organization tables will be allowed. Bookmarks will also be placed in the local library.

Events: Janet reported that BCAC now has WiFi internet connectivity available to residents, who must bring their own laptops. It is still uncertain how close to the building one must be to use this service.

Janet also reported that the Beaver Creek Library now stands alone as a member of the YavCo Library Network and separate from Camp Verde and is looking for larger space in order to have its own collection of books and services.

Bob Burke reported that the Camp Verde farmers' market is 8-noon on Saturdays.

Kayo invited all to work on the Hopi Garden this Saturday morning, remarking on the variety of fruits and vegetables that were planted.

Kayo also questioned the possibility of having a BCRC banner. Jo and Kayo will work on it.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Margaret A. Holt, Secretary