

**Minutes of the Metro Committee for Citizen Involvement**  
**Regular Committee**  
Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2008  
Room 270

Members present: JC Kizak (Co-Chair), Karen Wolfgang (Co-Chair), Judy Andreen, Hal Ballard, Virginia Bruce, Chory Ferguson, Malek Hall, John Kilian, Segeni Mungai, Gerritt Rosenthal, Judy BlueHorse Skelton, Chris Welling, Skip White

Members excused: Seth Otto, Ben DuPree

**Call to order, review of agenda, approval of Aug. 6, 2008 meeting minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. The agenda was reviewed. The August minutes were not approved.

**Council Liaison report**

Councilor Collette reported on the High Capacity Transit (HCT) study workshops. She said most had been less well attended than they had hoped, with Tigard being the biggest group, but people were engaged. She added that there was still time to go to the Metro website to comment.

She noted that a regional task force is working to identify gaps in regional infrastructure and budget for filling those gaps. The MCCI was interested in this topic as an agenda item at their next meeting. There are upcoming joint meetings with JPACT and MPAC on the topic. The first will be October 8

**Blue Lake Park golf learning center**

Lydia Neill, project manager for the golf learning center, talked about the project timeline and project updates. Project goals include providing winter activities and improving wetland functions. They hope to finish the project by July 2010.

**Reserves open house slideshow**

Marcia Sinclair showed the PowerPoint shared at reserves open houses and responded to questions. The group wanted Marcia to return next meeting to continue discussions about the reserves work.

**Department Liaison reports**

None.

**Response to Council**

A subcommittee was formed, which will include most of the regular committee, to work on a response to council's answer to a letter regarding concerns about the urban and rural reserves steering committee formation process. The subcommittee will meet Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.

**By-Laws**

A vote on accepting the revised by-laws was moved by Hal Ballard and seconded by Gerritt Rosenthal. The motion to accept the revisions passed. The final vote will take place at the October meeting in order to meet the requirements of a 30-day waiting period between revision and voting.

**Subcommittee formation:**

A subcommittee was formed to work on a committee workplan and budget. Subcommittee members are Hal Ballard, Virginia Bruce, JC Kizak and Segeni Mungai. Their initial meeting will be Sept. 24.

### **Roundtable**

Hal Ballard distributed handouts from the Washington County BCT. He reported they had rented a large warehouse in Reedville which will be part community cycling center, part BCT office. He invited committee members to a ribbon cutting the weekend of Oct 2-4 which will also be a fundraiser for the BTA.

Gerritt Rosenthal talked about an article he read saying that Spain is the international leader when it comes to rail travel. By 2020 they will have 10,000 kilometers (6,000 miles) of high speed rail.

Malek Hall commented that this group generally seems to function as a standing focus group for projects rather than focusing on the process of public involvement.

Judy Andreen shared a folder of information her community has developed for the reserves steering committee to let them know the rural perspective and will be adding articles to the folders at each of the steering committee meetings.

Skip White reported that the Esco dumpsite on Sauvie Island will not be able to elevate foundry waste above the level of the dike after all, thanks to an island resident who successfully fought the Portland planning commission over the issue.

Virginia Bruce said her CPO is trying an experiment which she thinks will work well. They are going to travel around the area to do brainstorming sessions about where connectivity is needed in each neighborhood.


JC Kizak invited people to participate in the Multnomah County/City of Portland upcoming diversity development conference

Karen Wolfgang said she is willing to start a Google group for the committee.

### **Adjourn**

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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