

FRIENDS OF NCRD BOARD MEETING
May 19, 2020: Nehalem outdoor space

Present: Constance Shimek (President), Patty Rinehart (Vice President), Gail Young (Secretary), Corrie Persing, Carol Mills, Linda Makohon (Directors)
Mike Panisko, newly elected Director and Treasurer
David Wiegand, NCRD Executive Director

Absent: Ed Gallagher, Sharon O'Hare (Directors)

The meeting was called to order by President Constance Shimek at 1:00 pm, with a reading of the MISSION STATEMENT: Our mission is to raise and distribute funds which support (NCRD) North County Recreation District's programs and projects.

Agenda: On a motion by Corrie, a second by Carol and unanimous vote, **the agenda was approved.**

Secretary's Report: On a motion by Constance, a second by Corrie and unanimous vote, the **minutes of the April 21 meeting were approved.** Gail thanked the Board for timely edits to minutes sent by email. Gail gave an **updated list of donations to the New Pool Fund, given through Friends of NCRD,** to David for inclusion in the next listing of donors in the NCRD newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Constance reported that the balance in the General Fund as of 4/30/20 was \$5,403.95 and the balance in the Pool Account as of 4/30/20 was \$2,067.25. On a motion by Corrie, a second by Linda and unanimous vote, **the Treasurer's Report was accepted.** Constance hasn't received a reply from Brevity regarding their \$250 matching fund donation; she will contact the company again tomorrow. Patty reported on the \$49 raised from flower sales for Friends General Fund. Constance reported on a \$500 donation to Friends from "Your Cause" an Auto Desk, on-line foundation.

New Business: Gail introduced **Mike Panisko** to the Board and nominated him for a **Director** position on the **Friends of NCRD Board.** Mike is a retired engineer from a utility company, has experience in accounting and marketing, and has worked with a hospice friends organization in a variety of roles, including executive director. He has had experience as treasurer of an HOA and with grant writing, focusing on larger donations. Mike accepted the nomination which Corrie seconded; on a unanimous vote, Mike was voted onto the Board. Mike also accepted Constance's nomination for the position of Treasurer. Linda seconded the nomination and with a unanimous vote Mike was named **Treasurer of the Friends of NCRD Board.** Mike will meet with Constance to complete the process for banking. He will discuss the option of a Sustaining Membership option with Gail.

NCRD Executive Director's Report (attached): David reported that the County Commissioners will reopen discussions on TLT grants in June. NCRD has applied for grants from Oregon Parks and Recreation and from the Ford Family Foundation. Construction on pickleball courts will begin in June. The Youth Center is open for emergency day-care service, limited to five children of First Responders. NCRD is waiting for a report on its historic building evaluation for insurance purposes. Work has been done on Rex Champ Field, and a grant from Tillamook PUD for an electronic scoreboard was approved. The Fitness Center staff is working on guidelines for re-opening. NCRD has contracted with Deer Island Studios to develop a new website.

Membership Committee Report: Since the last meeting, there has been one membership renewal, with a donation in honor of Constance and in memory of Geri Berg.

Flower Sales Committee Report: Patty opened a discussion of flower sales at this year's **Manzanita Farmers Market**. She reported on MFM's plans for a modified market, and Board members offered ideas and suggestions. Linda recommended building the business of flower sales to larger orders; Corrie offered bottles for flower arrangements; Patty suggested sales in the Little Apple parking lot. The discussion was tabled until the next Board meeting. Regarding an idea to offer bouquets at local care centers, Corrie will contact the Nehalem Bay House on Tohl Road and Linda will contact the Nehalem Valley Care Center in Wheeler. Patty will move ahead with registration for the Manzanita Farmers Market.

Events Committee Report: Constance described the letter she sent to Ellen DeGeneres, asking for support from Ellen's followers for donations to the New Pool Fund (letter attached). The letter describes the community's history that led to the building of the current pool, the need for and progress toward a new aquatic center that will benefit the entire community, and an invitation to Ellen to become a partner in funding our new pool. Donors to the "Please Donate and Help Our Cause" campaign will be directed to the Donate button on Friends website and a link to an article about the history of the pool and photographs.

Carol reported on the "Get Away to Depoe Bay" raffle. The Channel House will reopen on June 1; a gift certificate for a stay at the Channel House will be valid for a year from that date.

Patty reported on the information she researched and already emailed to the Board, regarding **Shelters and Warming Centers in our tri-village area**. Thank you, Patty. The next step is to determine how that information will be shared with the community by NCRD and Friends of NCRD.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:41 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 16th, @ 1 pm

Submitted by
Gail Young,
Secretary

TO DO:

Send approved minutes of the April meeting to Gerald – Gail
Discuss the option of a Sustaining Membership – Mike and Gail
Contact Brevity regarding the matching fund donation – Constance
Complete bank requirements for the position of Treasurer – Constance and Mike
Contact Nehalem Bay House about flower sales – Corrie
Contact Nehalem Valley Care Center about flower sales – Linda
Register for the Manzanita Farmers Market – Patty
Follow-up with information about Warming Centers and Shelters – Gail and Patty