

Oceanside Neighborhood Association

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Meeting Minutes

June 6, 2021 – Zoom Meeting

1. President Jerry Keene convened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Per the Quorum Attendance Poll on Zoom, 53 registered members took part, constituting a quorum.
2. The Minutes of the April 3, 2021 were deemed approved without objection.
3. Treasurers Report: \$1616.98 in General Account. \$12,137.39 in Beach Access Account.
4. Member Registration Report – Rob Hoeper, Secretary. 112 Members responded and are now registered for online participation in meetings and voting. Registration continues. Secretary will send out acknowledgments to registered members soon.
5. Nominating Committee Report: Nominations for 2021-2022 Officers: Jerry Keene, President; Marilyn Roossinck, Vice President; Mary Flock, Treasurer; Carol Horton, Secretary. No nominees from the floor.
6. Annual Election: The registered members unanimously elected the uncontested slate of officers and authorized them to become signers on the ONA checking account with US Bank.
7. President’s Report: Jerry Keene summarized ONA projects and progress over the past year, including the move to online meetings and associated growth in participation; significant work by issues teams on bylaws, emergency preparation, exterior lighting and building height, an increase in member participation and an intensive effort with the county to address need for seasonal visitor management. The Board is developing a plan to approach county officials for help with preparing a “Master Plan” similar to that which the county helped to compile and implement in Pacific City.
8. Emergency Preparedness Team Report: The Team has been recruiting members with good results, although more volunteers are needed.
9. Lighting Standards Report: The Team completed its Report, including a proposal for new standards for incorporation into our ordinance and the Community Plan. Members are encouraged to review it and supply input by e-mail. A Special Meeting by Zoom will also be held on July 10, 2021, at 10-11:30 a.m. (Zoom). The Team will then revise the proposed standards based on member comments and prepare a Final Report with recommendations to be voted on at the October 2, 2021 meeting.
10. Building Height Standards Team: The Team has nearly finalized its Report, including recommendations to update the formula for calculating maximum building height in residential and commercial zones. It should be posted on the website for public review and comment in a few days. A Special (Zoom) Meeting will be held on September 11, 2021, 10-11:30 a.m. The Team will then prepare Final Report and recommendations for consideration and a vote at ONA Regular (Live and Zoom hybrid) Meeting on October 2, 2021, 10-11:30 a.m. With the Team Report, the ONA Board has included a separate proposal to consider requesting an exemption from the countywide height limit of 35 feet in order to reduce it to 30 feet. (Neskowin obtained such exemption and reduced their height maximum to 24 feet.) The Board’s proposal will be discussed at meetings and potentially a vote in separate proceedings parallel to those on the Team’s recommendations.

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11. Beach Access Path Update: The county commissioners recently approved an addendum to the existing contract with our engineers on the project, authorizing the funds to prepare revised engineering drawings based on the design approved by the Tribes. Meanwhile, OPRD is on track for obtaining the necessary permits, and Chris Laity, the Public Works Director, is confident the project will be completed this fall.
12. Fourth of July & Village Gathering: The Board has decided to proceed with the Fourth of July Parade (10 a.m. on Sunday, July 4), and the traditional sign will go up on Hwy 131. The Boards of both the ONA and OCC have also decided to proceed with this year's Village Gathering potluck at the Community Hall on Saturday, July 31, 4 – 6 p.m. Volunteers are needed.
13. Significant Land Use Applications: The county is currently considering the following applications:
 - A. An application to partition the large lot east of Grand and Highland Avenues for 58 new homesites ("Hughes/Second Addition to Avalon Heights"). The Board sought and obtained unanimous support for its May 31, 2021, letter to the Planning Commission, which urged the county to do careful due diligence before approving the project. Members offered additional concerns to be included in a supplemental letter. Jerry Keene will present the letters and oral testimony on behalf of the ONA at the Planning Commission (Remote) Hearings scheduled for June 10 and July 8, 2021, both at 6:30 p.m.
 - B. An application to partition the large residential lot at on Chinook Avenue/Iris Street for 3 residential lots (and likely a 4th lot next year). Jerry Keene arranged a videoconference with local neighbors and Development Director Sarah Absher in May to address the review criteria and neighbor concerns regarding setbacks, street easements, and existing nonconforming uses.
 - C. An application for a square foot/setback variance from the small lot constraints for a 3-story residence on Portland Avenue (Hites). Local neighbors have submitted objections, and Jerry Keene has discussed the pertinent review standards with Sarah Absher.
14. At ONA's request, the county has placed porta-pottys and trash cans at the informal parking areas used by visitors to access the beach at Symons Point and Short Beach. They are funded by Tourism Lodging Tax funds (TLT).
15. The Board tentatively plans to return to a live meeting format (with an online viewing/voting option) for the October 2, 2021 meeting, 10-11:30 a.m., at the Community Hall. The Board will research a technology purchase and welcomes advice from Members with expertise in this area.
16. Announcements and Member Concerns:
 - Congratulations to Oceansider Debbi Mitchell for heading up a fundraising effort that brought in \$6800 for CARES.
 - If the weather permits, the Oceanside Community Club has tentatively planned an in-person / outdoor cocktail gathering at the Community Hall on Monday, June 7, at 7 p.m. (No food).
17. Meeting Adjourned at 11:25 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled on October 2, 2021, with Special Meetings set for July 10 and September 11, 2021 (see notes above).