

## OSN Steering Committee Meeting Nov. 4, 2009

### Minutes

Present: Lorna Deckert, Brooke Dubois, Oneza Ferdousa, Sharon Grant, Bill King, George Last, Mike Lilga, Tom Page, Rick White, Scott Woodward, Debbie Berkowitz

1. News: We discussed the proposal before the Kennewick Planning Commission by the owner of property on Thompson Hill to change his acreage from open space to residential and commercial. The Southridge Subarea Plan has housing design standards for slopes. The RROSN Board (**Scott**) will send a letter asking Kennewick to wait on this proposal until the open space plan is completed.
2. Incorporation News (Brooke). We are incorporated as of 8/31/09. Brooke has our application for the 501(c)3. She gave Debbie a copy of the application for our official records. The \$750 fee came out of the grant from Lamb Weston to support RROSN's efforts for sustainability within the community.
3. Jurisdictional Council (JC) (formerly JAC) report (Scott). The DG met to discuss this. We had decided to wait until after the election for the first meeting. We talked about having the meeting in December. Scott sent an outline. We'll send an agenda and a summary to the Councils/Commissions with an invitation to the meeting. We'll ask the designated representative to send a substitute who is an elected official if s/he is not available. The newly elected individuals won't be seated until January and the governing bodies will appoint their representatives to the different bodies at that time. So, we will wait to have the JC meeting in January. One and possibly two of the original JC participants will be replaced because of election results. **Brooke** will call Donna Noski the new mayor of West Richland. We're waiting to hear the results about Tom Moak from Kennewick.
4. Chapter 5 Review (Mike). Chapter 5 is the old Chapter 4. All the public input info is now in Chap. 4. Chapter 5 is probably the most important chapter. It was sent to everybody. Mike would like to get input from **everybody** to make sure we can all accept the recommendations. We added three recommendations about Columbia Point South, Central Pre-Mix, and Hanford Lands. We're requesting that the planning that was done in the 90's be followed re the Hanford Lands. We moved some of the Bi-County recommendations to the front of the document. The Central Pre-Mix is required to do some remediation of their property. What happens to the adjacent land that they own? One of the chapters will have a priority list; the recommendations are not in priority order. We will be open to opportunities as they present themselves. The jurisdictions will need to give input as well. What is the Ridges to Rivers trail? There's a map that shows it. The RROSN should support stronger enforcement of the principles of the GMA; we're losing OS on the edges of UGAs. There's a better basis for protecting those areas as OS (agricultural or NOS). **Bill and/or Rick** will help with the language. This recommendation should go under section 10. **Mike's** working on Chapter 4; he hopes to have something by the next meeting for us to look at.
5. Logo Presentation (Sharon). Sharon asked three people and received logos from two. From one person, we got two different versions, one more simple than the other, each would have its uses. We agreed we liked the logo from the 2<sup>nd</sup> person. **Sharon** will ask her to incorporate the words, "preserve, promote, enjoy our regional identity" in a couple of locations on the logo.



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