

**MT. HOOD FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSN.
Board of Directors Meeting
November 9, 2012**

Members Present: President Paula Hoiland, Treasurer Daryl Philippi, Secretary Carolyn Raz, Jim and Jennifer Cline, Joel Grayson, Michael Halligan, Ken Hoiland, Scott MacCaskill. **Absent:** Vonnie Condon and Tom Reynolds

Guest: Steve Graeper, Rhododendron Community Planning Organization (CPO)

7:05 pm - The meeting was called to order by President Paula. The Minutes of the August 4th meeting were corrected to reflect the date as Aug. 4 not Aug. 8, and the spelling of Michael Halligan's and Erwin Klaassen's names

Treasurer's Report: Currently, dues have been received from 312 cabins for the 2012-13 year.

OLD BUSINESS

Rhododendron CPO: Steve Graeper asked for the following motion to expand the overall boundaries of the Rhododendron CPO which would also include the areas where all the Mt. Hood cabins are located, which are currently divided among the Government Camp, Rhododendron and Mt. Hood Corridor CPOs. The Association unanimously voted in favor of the boundary change at the Annual meeting but a formal motion is necessary to present to the Clackamas County Commission. Daryl moved to accept the motion as stated, seconded by Ken and unanimously approved,

Motion: The MHFHA Board of Directors, based on an overwhelming show of support shown by the membership at the MHFHA Annual Meeting, held June 23, 2012, fully supports the Rhododendron CPO's proposed boundary change as shown on the proposed map presented at the June 23 Annual Meeting.

Newsletter: The Spring newsletter will be expanded with links to longer articles. Articles need to be submitted to Paula and Daryl by May 24, 2013.

Gift to David Jacob: A gift certificate was given to Watermaster David Jacob in appreciation for his forest road condition reports last winter. Paula recently saw him and he expressed his gratitude for the gift. The returned surveys that were sent to all members expressed appreciation for those reports that influenced their decision whether to go to their cabins.

Forest Watch Program Update: Jim has finally obtained approval from the Forest Service for 15 of the 21 locations where sign posts are to be installed. Mark Beckius, the cabin owner who is donating the posts, will also drill the holes

and place the posts at no cost. Mark is planning this to be a one-day job. The posts will be sunk 3' deep with 7' above ground to place the signs. Jim will check on a service to locate any underground cables or pipes before drilling the post holes. Paula will order 20 signs immediately. She will also check for window decals indicating a Forest Watch program is in place.

Cabin Fee Act (CFA): Paula said the passage of the CFA is looking good during the Lame Duck session. It's already been passed by the House and the parallel Senate bill is in the process of being tweaked. Oregon's Sen. Ron Wyden chairs the committee that will hear the bill.

NEW BUSINESS

Expiring Board Positions: The positions held by Paula, Ken, Joel, Scott and Tom will be expiring at the end of the year. Everyone but Tom, who wasn't present, agreed to another term. Daryl moved, seconded by Michael, to accept the continuance of all. Unanimously approved. Paula will contact Tom to see if he would be willing to continue on the Board otherwise there will be a vacancy.

Liability Coverage: The policy for our current coverage ends January 19. The carrier, State Farm, has changed their structure on homeowners associations and raised the price by \$400 from last year. Discussion included our association is much different than ordinary HOA's because ours are recreational residences and we have no association benefits, per se, because our "landlord" is the Forest Service. Michael will inquire of lawyers engaged in real estate issues as to whether State Farm can put us in an HOA category.

Track Membership in the National Forest Homeowners (NFH). Paula broached the subject of the Mt. Hood track joining the NFH. After discussion, it was determined that it would require a lot of work for the treasurer. Instead, Daryl will put a link to the NFH on our website along with encouragement for individual cabin owners to join NFH on their own.

Meet the New Forest Services' Special Uses Program Manager: Paula invited any Board member to join her in meeting Christy Covington's replacement, Leanne Veldhuis, at the temporary Zig Zag Ranger Station (**Paula: do we need the address?**) on Dec. 3, at 1:00 pm. This is an opportunity to become acquainted and make her familiar with our association and that we look forward to working with her.

Road Repair Gravel: The Forest Service has ten yards of gravel available for Forest Service roads. It's available on a first-come-first-served basis for free.

CALENDAR

Feb 04, 2013 - Board Meeting 7-9:00 pm

May 06, 2013 - Board Meeting 7-9:00 pm
May 24, 2013 - Spring newsletter deadline
May 27, 2013 - Highway Clean-up
Jun 22, 2013 - Annual Meeting
Aug 03, 2013 - Board Meeting at a cabin - 2-4:00 pm
Nov 04, 2013 - Board Meeting 7-9:00 pm