

Oregon Council Annual Meeting Minutes

October 2, 2021

Beaverton, Oregon

Attendees:

Susie Koppert - Mt Hood Rock Club
Dave Williams - Umpqua Gem & Mineral Club
Maureen Williams - Umpqua Gem & Mineral Club
Linda Harvey - Tualatin Valley Gem Club
Troy Smith - Mt Hood Rock Club
Lenora Smith - Mt Hood Rock Club
Hidemi Kira - Clackamette Mineral & Gem Corp.
Tomoko Kira - Clackamette Mineral & Gem Corp.

Meeting called to order at 1:22pm at Troy and Lenora's house.

Meeting Minutes: Changes made to the Prineville meeting minutes. June 19, 2021, submitted by Linda Harvey - fixed spelling of capitol, removed unrelated sentence (BLM issue with individual), fixed spacing between words, corrected name of Crown Point Country Historic Society, removed bank account information.

Motion made to approve (Maureen Williams) and seconded (Susie Koppert). Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report - Maureen Williams The Pendleton Club is disbanding. Treasurer's report was given. Hope to be back up to 16 members next year.

We have received the official word from the Department of the Treasury regarding the Council status. It is 501 (c) 4. In 2020 it was discovered that the Council was terminated by an unknown member in December of 1982. We have been able to be reinstated The Council received a contribution to cover the fee required to be reinstated. Contributions to the Council cannot be tax deductible. (c) 3 cannot lobby.

Treasurer's report motion made to approve (Linda Harvey) and seconded (Hidemi Kira) - Treasurer's report approved.

Paid Carl's yearly website fees.

Old Business:

Maureen: One representative from the member clubs will receive the notice for paying dues in November. Cost is \$.25 per member not family at the end of the year. The goodwill gesture to waive fees for 2021 has been removed for 2022. Decided to waive fees on an as needed hardship request only.

OCRMC Tri-Folds passed out to members that needed additional ones.

There are more available for distribution. Contact Maureen if more tri-folds are needed by your club.

(Dave Williams)

BLM Cooperative Stewardship Agreement/Signage: Dave is going to stop asking them about having a Cooperative Stewardship Agreement.

Some signs have been approved but do need to be vetted before they are used. Exclusion for small garden tractor - BLM has to approve the Council doing it. Dave will continue working with Kevin (BLM) to get the signage (like the Code of Ethics) and be able to use a small garden tractor for reclamation.

Dave to approach Kevin (BLM) about doing the work parties and will keep it low key on signage and equipment.

Susie is working with the John Day Snake area (29 offices) and will continue to talk about getting signage.

Susie will be talking at an upcoming meeting with John Day Snake group and will be talking for 15 minutes about signage (Code of Ethics) but in a simple and plain version. "Leaving things better than you find it".

Things we would like to have Susie focus on:

1. Signage
2. Category Exclusion for Hampton Butte
3. Have input with the "Recreational Rockhound Management Plan" manual

Susie BLM RAC membership: still in the running for the John Day Snake RAC.

Hidemi & Lenora - ALAA - last meeting was in Wyoming along with the American Federation meeting. John Martin has information on what is closing. John and Jennifer Haley get information from Dave. Tracy Stone Manning has been appointed to head the BLM. Dave to write up the Hampton Butte trip for ALAA.

Klondike Kate's Memorial Wall: Hidemi - you can buy a brick from the Crown Point Country Historic Society. Bricks are \$100.00 each. It was moved by Hidemi Kira that the Council buy a brick for the rock wall and seconded by Linda Harvey. Put the date the Council established along with name on the brick. Approved.

Hidemi - National Public Lands Day at Hampton Butte was a success - BLM was very happy. 3 BLM members attended. It was a warm day - warmer than last year. Mt Hood heavily promoted the reclamation.

Hidemi, Tomoko, & Maureen put the Oregon Council case in at Portland Regional. Case looked great. The case will be put in at the Sweet Home Show.

Spring 2022 Meeting: The next meeting will be at the Sweet Home Show, March 26 & 27, 2022.

Maureen for Vicki - Display Case at the State Capitol: No new information. The Capitol is still closed. NARG came out in 2020. WAMS to go in when the Capitol reopens. TVGC to go in in May 2022.

