

Theater of Change

Community Village
Newsletter
February 11, 2016

Proposed Agenda

Hello's	Activist Report by CALC (Lane County Legal Aid and Advocacy Center in March)
Agenda Review	
Fair Announcements	One fun thing
Site Report	Expansion Designs Review Committee report
Consensus Rap	Council Confirmation
This is our new host report	Meeting Evaluation
Change meeting start time or agenda order? Discussion	Unfair announcements

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Council Selection Process

Someone may bring up a concern about a candidate publicly at a meeting if and only if they have warned the candidate that they may bring up that concern and have made an attempt to resolve it. The Villager must contact the candidate within 7 days of the January Village meeting, and if the concern is not resolved in a person to person conversation, another attempt must be made at the January Council Meeting.

A village member may stand aside or block a Council candidate only if he/she has taken his/her shared concern through the process described above.

Calendar

GENERAL MEETINGS 2016

at Unitarian Church, 13th and Chambers: Jan 13, Feb 11, March 3, April 14, May 12, June 9, June 26 onsite
Oct 13, Nov 10 at Growers *Childcare Room provided at Church*
Council Meetings 3rd Tuesday / Jan 26, Feb 16, March 15, April 19 (Decide Final Pass Allocation), May 17, June 14, August 16, Sept 20, Oct 18, Nov 17,

LAST MEETING BEFORE ELIGIBILITY DEADLINE: April 14

JUNE Onsite WORKPARTYS + OTHER DATES *TO BE SET*

Oregon Country Fair, July 8, 9, 10

Expansion Design Committee meeting 2/8/2016

Present: Dea, Sati, David Tipton, Lois, Jain, Chase, Tim, Nathan and Big John

We discussed **the boundaries of the space**. David asserted that the original drawing he offered is not perfect but is very accurate. His drawing is the basis for all the designs displayed on our web page, and is now updated to better reflect the projected usage of the boundary along 13th.

<http://members.efn.org/~comvill/NewCVEntrance201314.html> Where the maps we have been using show a "buffer" zone and "Peace Parker", the new version shows one or two booths along 13th on the left and a slightly moved water fountain and benches on the right, with a curved space sort of funneling folks into the new entrance. David stressed that people "flow" (like water) is an important aspect of Path Planning and is something we should keep in mind as we work on designs. The updated map of the space is on the next page.

We asked about the **status of the project** so far. David asserted that the 2 booths along 13th that will perhaps move will be offered other spaces, and he hopes at least one of them will do so. Even if they do not move, the present booth structures would become less deep and booth camping behind them would convert to the Village expansion space.

We discussed the **criteria the Village consented to** in November and David believes that all of them can be met, that none of them conflict with Fair guidelines if we do it carefully. We talked at length about the criteria "Will have a narrow entrance and a slow flow of traffic" in particular. We asked if the space between the Info House water spigot and the P&J booth could be defined as "narrow" (foot traffic kind of funnels into that entry) and David agreed it could.

Moving Forward with a 2-3 year plan that could be implemented all at once or in phases. The committee hopes to be able to have at least one or two designs ready for full Village scrutiny by June. **NEXT MEETING: Monday the 29th at 7pm, again at 2096 ½ Arthur St.**

January Meeting Notes excerpts

Fair Announcements:

Arthur and Anita's daughter is now the OCF Assistant Manager Arthur also spoke about the history of the Community Village name. First it was "Debbie Park" after Debbie Parks, who had a booth in this location. Then it was a Center of Appropriate Technology. There was more, I couldn't keep up.

Childcare announced there will be care at the rest of the season's meetings.

Consensus Rap

Sam spoke to this: the November meeting was amazing, it re-ignited his confidence in our Village consensus process. Reaching agreement had become so difficult in recent years, as if there were sand in our process gears. But he was jubilant when it worked in November and everyone could agree on a difficult and important issue like this expansion. But then he had a moment and realized that maybe the sand in the gears is how our consensus works – sand may have polished our individual rough edges of closed mindedness and distrust, wearing away the rough bits of ourselves. Maybe it's about how we (not our ideas) need the rough edges rubbed off by each other.

Expansion Committee

We were briefed about the state of this project so far and solicited Villagers to participate in a Expansion Design Committee. Committee needs to be staffed, be trusted and be honored. Likely meet weekly for a while and work with Path Planning, starting by going to their meeting on Sunday. Other Villagers are encouraged to participate on the Committee, but the Village hope is that all those participating will commit to the duration of the process and to its success. Regular reports from the committee will be expected. Big John, Nathan from WE, Tim, Lois and Sam volunteered. All info about this process can be found here: <http://members.efn.org/~comvill/NewCVEntrance2013-14.html>

Stand For Council

The process to stand for Council was read, individuals listed on the front page stood for Council

Also discussed was the guideline that all Fair staff, including Council members, should take the Human Intervention Training offered by the OCF this year. All the candidates present pledged to do so (Diane and Karla were not there)

Activist Reports

Occupy Medical.

Sue Sierralupe spoke to us at length about what OM does for Eugene and surrounding areas. They began with a First Aid tent during the Occupy Eugene encampment in 2011. Over 60 individuals are involved as volunteers. Every Sunday from 12-4pm they provide a free clinic on the Park Blocks. They have a treatment bus as well as three tents – intake, haircuts and hospitality. With a single payer (donations) system, they operate by consensus, giving the care every human deserves, patient-driven care adapted to fit the patient and their circumstances.

They have a herbal medicine section and do not dispense drugs nor handle any medical marijuana. They do wound care, seeing a lot of folks with diabetes. They have social workers and counselors for mental health patients, and can write prescriptions. They have nutrition advice. You can help by assisting with the site set up every Sunday at 10am. Contact Sue via text at 541 915 6704 or sierralupe@comcast.net

We the People

John Flannery spoke about "We the People – Eugene", a local group begun to counter the Citizens United Supreme Court decision that opened the flood gates to unlimited corporate and Super Pac spending, believing it a threat to real democracy. They have participated in Democracy School, developed constitutional amendments language to prohibit such money in politics, and are sponsoring an event January 20 about Race, Police, the Supreme Court and Democracy in Room 101 at the U of O Law School. Contact John at 541 345-6822 jflan@efn.org. Thank You, John.

Steward Ship

We had a brief discussion about how and if to respond to the OCF outreach for activities or exhibits that celebrate OCF's efforts or help get the OCF's key sustainability messages across. This is located in the New Area. The veterans of our Waste Warriors groups (Jeanette) expressed an interest in looking into this, while Big John expressed concern that we better offer something we can follow up on if we do anything at all, or we will be rejected and seen as flaky. Stay tuned...

New Meeting Place / Time: Well, here we are...

Eligibility Idea

Last year we did eligibility a bit different, with greater scrutiny. We also discussed doing great scrutiny to some groups only every 3-5 years. Tonight Sam floated an idea to change the eligibility forms to different versions for these different categories: groups, individuals and service posts. Some folks thought the Council could do that without Village discussion. Other comments: The design of a form should be done by individual booths. Every time we try to fix something it generates more rules, prefer an anarchist approach, be more humanist. Process now has become meaningless – instead ask what are we doing for the Village is the question to ask. Forms help us organize and compare apples to apples. Process is not meaningless, just not effective right now – the form or process should help people see for themselves if they are eligible.

