

Food System Council Minutes

Date: February 26, 2015	Location: Clark County Center for Community Health, Vancouver, WA	Recorded by: Ann Foster
Time: 4:00-6:00pm	Mtg. chaired by: Garrett Hoyt	Reviewed by: Council

Present: Theresa Cross, Ann Foster, Erin Harwood, Garrett Hoyt, Melissa Martin, Shawn Morrill, Warren Neth, Greg Noelck, Larry Scherer
Guests: Heidi Richards, Mia Logg and Rachael (from the CC Food Bank), Gordy Euler, Clark County Community Development
Absent: Sandy Brown, Ty Draszt, Karen Puyleart, Ellen Rogers, Carolyn Gordon, Kim Harless, Patty Ingraham, Eric Lambert

Topic	Discussion	Decision	Follow-up
Meeting Minute approval	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Since there was no quorum, the January minutes could not be approved. Ann requested that Secretary Election portion of January minutes omit "July through September when Ann is absent from meetings and managing the Salmon Creek Farmers Market." 	Minutes not approved	Delayed until March meeting.
Updates and announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Membership Committee is composed of the FSC Chair, one Staff member and two member volunteers. The FSC is recruiting for two new members. The Committee recruits, interviews and selects the applicants who are voted on by the membership in May. Shawn Morrill and Larry Scherer volunteered to join the Membership Committee. Larry Scherer requested that the roster shows not only member name, but sector and term expiration date. Everyone is asked to promote, and recruit applicants; a draft of a press release will be distributed for membership to share. Healthy Living Collaborative letter of support. This letter has been written and distributed to the membership for comment. Since no quorum today, vote will be by email. Warren announced that the 2 work parties scheduled at Foley Community Orchard were successful. Next clean-up at Foley Park is March 7. Ann announced schedule of April and May activities in which the Salmon Creek Farmers' Market will participate in support of small farms and the preservation of productive ag land. Warren added announcement of Beltane Festival at Hazel Dell Commons on Saturday, May 2. 	<p>Letter to be distributed via email for vote by mail</p> <p>These events need FSC's participation.</p>	<p><u>Staff to prepare roster with this information</u></p> <p>Melissa will cut & paste change on p. 5 of letter before emailing it membership.</p> <p>Garrett will remind FSC members at March meeting.</p>

<p>Facebook & FSC email accounts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This conversation from January 22 was repeated: Shawn explained that the hello@clarkfoodsystem.org address is an alias for a gmail account. This is the address the public will see on all FSC materials and the address they will use to contact the FSC via email. FSC replies will use the Council@clarkfoodsystem.org address (recipients will see hello@clarkfoodsystem.org). Shawn can arrange it so all emails to hello@clarkfoodsystem.org will automatically forward to staff, who will decide who and how to respond. 		
<p>Work group reports</p>	<p>There was no Food Access Work Group meeting today. Ann and Melissa were only members present.</p> <p>With Gordy Euler present, we heard about the “4th Alternative” to the Comprehensive Plan update that the County Councilors dreamed up two weeks ago and how it has impacted the process and the timing for updates to the GMA due March, 2016.</p> <p>The 4th Alternative consists of moving parcels of 9.5 acres of ag land, or less, out of AG and into R (rural). This alternative was produced by Peter Silliman, Policy Analyst to the BOCC, with no involvement from the Clark County Community Development staff of Planners.</p> <p>Garrett announced a rally scheduled for Tuesday, March 3, BOCC meeting at 6 p.m. . Garrett will represent the FSC and we discussed the content of his testimony. The content will center on TDR’s and the significance of this option as a tool for ag land property owners. He will include a request that the BOCC fund a pilot TDR/PDR project.</p> <p>The 4th Alternative was discussed at length, as well as the larger current issue of agriculture conservation.</p>	<p>We are all encouraged to attend and carry signs.</p>	<p>Rally posted onto FB page.</p>
<p>Work Group Break Out Time</p>	<p>Land Use/Food Access work - None</p>		
	<p>Next meeting: March 26, 4-6 pm, Center for Community Health on the VA</p>		

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