

Laurel Hill Valley Citizens Newsletter

Winter General Meeting

Thursday, February 18, 1999

7:30 p. m.

**Eugene Community Church
2335 Riverview St.**

Agenda

7:30 Introductions and Announcements
7:40 Improvements at Laurel Hill Park
8:00 Moon Mountain Report
8:30 Report from our City Councilor
8:40 NYC Adopt A Park Proposal
8:50 City Boards and Commissions
9:00 Adjourn

Blazer Construction is Back with a New Proposal

Son Blaze Construction met with City Staff on Nov. 5, 1998 to discuss its new development plan. The City expects a new development application any day now. The City ordinance which regulates this type of development states that there should be a one year waiting period after an application has been denied. The last application was denied on April 16, 1998. This waiting period may be waived by the planning director if the applicant submits a written statement to the Planning Department showing how the proposal has been sufficiently modified

City Commissions and Boards have Openings

Would you like to have a significant impact on the way things are done in the City of Eugene? Before you gear up for a run at the City Council (still two years away) you might want to apply for a seat on one of the decision making and policy setting boards that do important work for our city. Several commissions are currently seeking members and your participation could make a difference for you and your neighbors. Currently seeking citizen members are: the Budget Committee, the Human Rights Commission, Planning Commission, and the Police Commission. The Budget Committee works with the City Council to set the budget for the City and is seeking four members of an eight member board. The Human Rights Commission advocates for the rights of everyone in the community. Five members of a 15 member board are sought. The Planning Commission is working on the Land Use Code Update, the Transportation Plan and makes the decision on Land use issues.

Neighbors know how important this one continues to be. There is one opening on the nine member board. The Police Commission is a new one and is recruiting for all eight openings. The application period is open and will close on March 31, 1999. If you are interested in any of these, call the City Manager's Office at (541) 682-5010 or (541) 682-5045. Our City Councilor David Kelly will be at the Meeting and will be able to answer questions at that time.

Community Garden Update

On January 16 the LHVN Executive Committee sent a letter to School District 4J endorsing the Community garden project proposed. for the

to overcome the reasons for denial, or that conditions have changed sufficiently to justify reconsideration of the original or a similar proposal. The city will respond to a waiver request after the application has been submitted for a completeness review.

One of the many reasons for denial was the inadequacy of local streets to serve the development. No progress has yet been made on the extension of the Glenwood Collector. The developer has not reached an agreement with ODOT about improvements to the freeway interchange. More information will be available at the General Meeting.

Northwest Youth Corps

NYC Community Service Coordinator Melissa Osmond is working with the City of Eugene's Adopt A Park program to have OutDoor School students maintain and enhance Laurel Hill Park. Melissa will be at the General Meeting to provide more information and to answer any questions.

Neighbor Needs Help

Ruth Kanagy would like to rent out her 3 bedroom home from April 1 to August 31. She is also looking for a temporary home for her Mini-Dachshund for the same period. You can reach her at 484-7301.

Northwest Youth Corps campus. NYC extends thanks to the neighborhood for their enthusiastic support. AmeriCorps Members will host work parties and organizational meetings in march and April.

Permaculture designer and neighbor Jude Hobbes is designing a multi-function hedgerow to be installed soon. Planners, landscape architects and anyone with materials to donate should call Garden coordinators. If you are interested in having a plot in the garden or attending work parties, call Lara, Josh or Casey at 349-5055, extention 241.

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