

WELL CoCom Minutes of 3/14/11

Present: CC Members Kimbal (facilitator), Laura, Richard, Holly, Jane, Madge (note-taker); plus guests Peter & Pat Norris, and (part-time) Mason, Cate, and Rachel

1. Minutes of Feb. 7 are approved.
2. **Brooktrails Community Garden:** BT Board approved and allocated funds to this project unanimously. There's been good community involvement. In addition, the BT Lodge (under new management) is supportive and will host the planning meetings – next one is 3/29, 6:30pm – and a fundraiser on 4/20. They thank us for our \$1,000 grant.
3. **Willits Creek Trail:** There've been two planning group meetings, with good progress. Bob Whitney & Roger Sternberg are working together to negotiate issues with land-owners (Roger will bill us; Bob is volunteering), plus Holly will talk to another owner. The Golden State Land Trust is also volunteering to serve as trustee. Note: We did not receive the Community grant for this.
4. **Main Street Committee:** Defer to next meeting. Holly will try to attend, and we hope Bill will also be involved.
5. **Fund Appeal:** Mailing party scheduled for Mon. Mar. 21, 6pm. Madge will get materials together; Mo needs to print labels.
6. **Powerpoint/Outreach:** Madge spoke to Soroptomists last month & recorded a show for Channel 3 (now available on web & on DVDs). We vote to allocate \$100 to Andy Wright for his work on this show. More showings should be scheduled.
7. **Grants – PR; Insurance & account for Michael Foley Project:** The announcement article already went to TWN and 5&10; Madge will ask about possible photo op. Holly sent all recipients a grant award letter; Mo should send checks to all except Michael.

Michael is requesting possible insurance coverage for his project; Madge will get insurance agent info to Richard, who will inquire if this could be covered. Michael also hopes we could establish an ear-marked bank account he could draw on; Jane & Madge will inquire.
8. **Vision 2030 Report:** Pat described the public input from a Willits meeting (months ago), which identified priorities for water, preserving ag, BT 2nd access, health/happiness, rail and alternative energy. At a more recent meeting in Ukiah, not clear what will come of it. It is a CalTrans-funded MCOG planning process.

9. **Newsletter Report:** Mar.-April issue was great. Jennifer will need articles for May-June. We hope she can attend next CC.

10. **Office:** Madge is disappointed many people didn't get emails since Nov., when we switched systems. She & Kimbal will check with Mo about how much she's able to do; if other help may be needed.

11. **Ukiah Earth Day:** This is planned Apr. 22, 2-10pm. CC votes to co-sponsor (without financial obligation), help publicize, and to have an info table. Madge will follow-up.

12. **CoCom Election:** To be held at our Mar. 27 meeting. Three seats are up: Madge, Jane, and Richard. Richard would like to resign, but still help until such time as he moves away from Willits. Peter Norris is interested in running. Laura is contact for anyone interested.

13. **General Meetings:** Mar. 27, Kimbal & Laura will co-facilitate. David Drell & John Nichols are added to the panel. Sanhedrin Nursery and maybe Betsy (Bountiful Gardens) may come – Kimbal is concerned there may not be enough break time for them to sell. We should set up a sign-up for those wanting to show a garden in August. Also a dry-erase board for continued swapping. (Holly will bring one.)

For Apr. 17, guest speaker Charles Bush, we assume Bill will get PR together and facilitate. Kimbal will bring snacks for both of these.

The Barn Dance is scheduled for Sat. May 21 at the Art Center. Kimbal is coordinating that.

We need to begin plans for the Transportation Forum in June – next CC meeting. Holly volunteers to moderate.

13. **Next CC Meeting,** Apr. 11, 6pm: Jane will facilitate.