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King Neighborhood Association
Minutes from Neighborhood Association Meeting
May 13, 2009
503-823-9133 (voice mail number for KNA)
<http://kingneighborhood.org/>
<http://kingneighborhood.wordpress.com/>

List of attendees (at end of minutes)

Quorum met.

Agenda (*Exhibit 1*)

Minutes from April meeting

The minutes from April 8, 2009 were approved without changes.

Standing reports

Update from Portland Police (*Exhibits 2, 3*)

Please email Officer Brian Sims directly with specific questions and incidents (for example, give addresses, dates, or other information that he can research): bsims@portlandpolice.org or call the police non-emergency number at 503-823-5833.

Officer Sims announced that complaints about building codes/noise/nuisance can now be all reported under one phone number: 503-823-2633 For more detailed information go to :

<http://portlandonline.com/bds/index.cfm?c=34170>

He provided a map of the new three precinct configuration - citizens should see no differences in service. He noted that the abandoned auto program will be continued.

Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods (*Exhibits 4-7*)

Paige Coleman, Executive Director, summarized current programs and projects which they support as a fiscal management organization. The neighborhood will benefit from resident exposure to NECN and its outreach programs.

(www.necoalition.org)

In addition, NECN has sponsored spring clean ups throughout northeast Portland.

Paige invited community members to participate in NECN by filling out an interest card.

Over 4,000 people visited the first day of the new King Farmers' Market located at the King School every Sunday from 10am-2pm.

NECN holds a monthly organizers' dinner, which is a chance for community folks to get together to share ideas, issues, and concerns. This is held every third Wednesday of the month at NE Coalition starting at 6pm.

There is also a new community investment club with a goal of raising \$25k for inner N/NE community-based projects. For a \$29 annual donation, members receive a "community savings card" yielding discounts at participating businesses throughout N/NE Portland. (visit www.communityfundnecn.org)

Rick Sills raised the issue of Last Thursday on Alberta Street - is NECN involved since it affects 4 different neighborhoods? NECN has an "issue advocacy process" which is a way that any resident or neighborhood can bring an issue and recommendation forth. Neighbors can weigh in on how to better manage the event to minimize negative impacts. In this process, each neighborhood association can discuss all sides of an issue and

vote on a resolution. A recommendation or request for support can be brought to a Community Committee of the NECN Board (such as the Public Safety Action Committee or Land Use Transportation Committee). After due consideration, the NECN Board may elect to support the position recommended by the neighborhood association.

Public safety action committee (PSAC)

Rick Sills, KNA representative to PSAC indicated that the meeting was cancelled. A meeting is planned for next month, and a new police officer will be taking over liaison duties.

Airplane noise

Kelly Sweeney reported he is an at-large representative (lives in Beaumont) on the Citizens Noise Advisory Committee (CNAC) which is trying to mitigate noise impacts while educating neighborhoods around PDX. Kelly is currently contacting a number of neighborhood associations. The Port's Noise Management Department has developed a way to track specific planes if someone needs to make a complaint – it is called WebTrack. Kelly noted that citizen comments can affect flight patterns. For example, one result of complaints was to equally distribute impacts rather than allowing the impact all on one neighborhood by changing the cargo haulers departure and arrival procedures. He also mentioned the Fly Quiet Program which acknowledges airlines in a competition for best noise abatement performance. However, the north runway construction will mostly bring smaller planes over Cully and Concordia. Kelly also mentioned the "Futures of PDX" project where the Port of Portland is seeking a long-term land use permit for the airport rather than the existing conditional use permit. He offered to return to KNA to speak specifically on any of the programs mentioned.

For more information contact the:

Noise Management Team

503-460-4100

http://www.portofportland.com/Noise_Mgmt_Home.aspx

The website has a place to report noise events or track specific flights

Elections (Exhibit 8)

The Board Chair summarized responsibilities of the board positions currently open: at-large representative, treasurer, and co-chair. These descriptions are also available at the NECN offices. Voting is open to anyone who lives or works in KNA.

Nominees:

Co-chair – Trace Salmon

Treasurer – Renee Garrels and Scott Breon (sharing a job)

At large representative #2 – Allyson Spencer

At large representative #4 – Irek Wielgosz

VOTING: the slate of nominees was accepted.

NE Portland swap shop and play space (Exhibit 9)

Maggie Bermingham described a new project to establish an indoor play space and an opportunity to exchange gently used goods, modeled after existing programs in St Johns and southeast Portland. She is looking for coop members or community members, and has set up a Yahoo group to solicit folks to get started (http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ne_ptld_family_swap_shop/). Partnering with a local church can be a good way to proceed. For more information contact maggiiebermingham@gmail.com

Paige Coleman commented that NECN can help new projects take form with fiscal management services, since their mission is to help foster projects.

Fowler/Andrews – Cole Candy Redevelopment Project

No update was available for a development project for live/work units at the building at NE 14th and Alberta.

For more information, check the site: <http://www.fowlerandrews.com/Alberta.htm>

Coordinating KNA meetings with King School

Trace Salmon proposed that KNA change the location of meetings to the school building (rather than the community center) and offer free child care (reimbursed by NECN). *[Update: following the meeting, the cost of using the school during summer evenings was determined to be too high, so the meetings will continue to be held in the NECN offices.]*

However, even if the meeting location is not moved, KNA can still have child care arrangements.

MOTION APPROVED – advertise for interest in child care during meetings, and contract with the secretary at King School to make arrangements.

Miracles Club Good Neighbor Agreement (Exhibit 10)

Celeste Carey indicated that discussion of the GNA is still underway. The Office of Neighborhood Involvement has ownership of the GNA process, but the King Neighborhood Association (rather than individual neighbors) should be the official representative, along with NECN as the official city sponsored agent for the NAs. Therefore a King board member must participate in drafting and adopting the agreement.

Since the Bureau of Development services, as a city agent, required the GNA, ONI must be involved. Neighborhood associations and groups can execute other (non city required) agreements without ONI, but the City of Portland will not intervene if ONI did not participate in creating the agreement.

Clean up on May 2

The Board Chair reported that there was good community and volunteer turnout for the event, which earned \$690. According to an earlier decision, half of the funds will go to the Loaves and Fishes Meals on Wheels program.

Planning for Last Thursday on Alberta

Charles Boardman met with various parties to discuss the permit that has been requested for hosting Last Thursday events on Alberta Street from 12th to 30th streets, for the months of May through October. Although KNA is not within the area of the permit, it will be affected. The police office is coordinating the next meeting with agencies and parties to discuss options and issues. NECN will be represented. Paige Coleman stated that NECN needs neighborhood association input – has the process been inadequate?

<http://kingneighborhood.wordpress.com/2009/05/15/meeting-to-discuss-last-thursdays-on-alberta/>

Previous meetings have involved other agencies as they discussed issues such noise, alcohol use, ADA access, and street closures. Officer Sims reported that there will be a significant police presence, including after hours and traffic/parking control. One of the key issue is funding since the businesses have generally not been willing to contribute. Neighborhoods need to negotiate with businesses, since city does not want the liability.

Blue Door – the first event was held in April. Allyson Spencer is soliciting volunteers for the next project on 5/30. She is working with various agencies to identify homes and people that need assistance.

<http://kingneighborhood.wordpress.com/2009/05/26/blue-door-project-needs-volunteers/>

June 10 agenda items

Last Thursday – invite Magnus Johanssen

LIST OF NEW ACTION ITEMS

Attendees:

Benjamin Adrian, resident
Bo Baumgartner, resident

Maggie Bermingham, resident
Charles Boardman, resident (*Chair*)

Scott Breon, resident
Celeste Carey, NECN
Paige Coleman, NECN
Sydra Cooperdock, resident
Leslie Cormier, resident (*At-Large Rep #1*)
Gabrielle Foulkes, resident (*Secretary*)
Renee Garrels, resident
Misha Hashitani, resident
Michael Laus, resident
David Lomax, resident
William Lucas, resident (*At-Large Rep #xxx*)
Jack Mayhew, resident
Nastassja Pace, resident
Jake Reid, resident
Trace Salmon, resident (*Treasurer*)
David Sanchez, resident
Rick Sills, resident
Officer Brian Sims, Portland Police
Allyson Spencer, resident (*At-Large Rep #xxx*)
Kelly Sweeney, Citizens Noise Advisory Council
Karen Trappen, resident
Brent Wilson, resident