King Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2015 (6:30 - 8 pm)

- Neighbors in Attendance
  - Van Bogner
  - Francine Freeman

- Board Members in Attendance (Quorum as of meeting commencement)
  - Diego Gioseffi
  - Margo Dobbertin
  - Nick LaRue
  - Leigh Rappaport
  - Blaire Ontobanni
  - Jeff Scott
  - Eileen Kennedy

- Speakers in Attendance
  - Pat Opdyke (North Star Village)
  - Walt Mistkeski (Oregon League of Conversation Voters)

Introductions (all) 6:34 P.M
Introductions begun by Margo and Call for additional agenda items

Call to Approve the Agenda (with order amended based on presence of guest speakers)
  Motion by: Jeff
  Second by: Eileen
  Y - 7, N-, A, -; Motion passes

Land Use Committee Update:
- Natural Grocers Update
  - Very little information from PDC (Portland Development Commission), but more information is expected in March.
  - Design changes suggested by King Neighborhood Association and strongly supported by the Mayors office are a sticking point with Majestic Real Estate (The current Vanport site Developer)
  - The KNA Land Use Committee will be meeting to discuss this and other land use items on the Third Tuesdays of the month at Beacon Sound 3636 N Mississippi Ave at 7:30 p.m.

NECN Updates:
- NECN Executive Director interviews are taking place now
  - Hopeful start date for new Director is early to mid-March
The office is still very understaffed and will likely be into summer before a the entire office is staffed, trained and operating at normal capacity
  - There will be hiring of new staff

The NECN board will potentially be streamlined to more efficient to volunteers. Currently the board has 29 members with two representatives from each neighborhood. The result is slow and cumbersome and often requires members to attend weekly meetings when neighborhood association meetings and other committee meetings are factored in.
  - The goal is to make things more efficient and productive

Green King Updates: (6:47)
  - MLK Day Planting and work party event at King School went well with over 40 volunteers participating
  - There are plans in the works to plant trees additional trees with Friends of Trees
    - Additional plans to add more vegetation and other plants around the school
    - Call for volunteers for 22nd to plant trees and do other planting/pruning chores
  - King School Park Re-design
    - Currently in the second stage of the park redesign. The work is slow and steady
    - Diego and two other representatives presented for the Timber’s to ask for money for the court resurfacing
    - There were two members from Portland Parks Department in attendance in support of the park re-design
    - Working on a fundraising plan
      - Includes three large grants coming due soon
      - Looking for volunteers to help working on the paper work and other prep for three grants
  - Friends of Trees King Neighborhood planting day is Saturday 2/14/2015

6:58 our two guest speakers arrive

Introductions of attendees for our guests

Oregon League of Conservation Voters: (7:01) Walt Mistkeski (Oregon League of Conversation Voters)
  - Discussion relating to Oregon Legislation about Green House gases
  - Walt is on the Steering Committee for the Multnomah (branch)
The OLCV list evaluates and endorses candidates based on their environmental stances. They are non-partisan.

They also assist in the grassroots and retail politics components and attempt to hold elected officials accountable for their actions.

Walt is speaking on behalf of Renew Oregon, an umbrella for various environmental groups in the state.

- Looking for 100,000 signatures in support of the following four greenhouse reduction strategies:
  - Clean energy and jobs
  - Clean fuel choices and Alternative transportation
  - Hold polluters accountable by stopping repeal of laws related to their activities
  - Move to coal to renewable energy

- PGE and PacifiCorp power generation is 60% and 30% coal respectively.
  - This energy is supplied from out of state via transmission lines
  - Oregon has one coal fire power plant

Discussion and Questions

Q: How effective are Oregon state legislature against coal and oil trains.
A: This is a federal issue so there is little local influence as they are interstate and therefore regulated by the Federal government.

Q: Do you anticipate any legislation forthcoming related to oil spills, etc. and their cleanup?
A: Not sure but Christy Split, lobbyist from the Oregon Conservation Network could speak to this question.

North Star Village (Pat Opdyke) 10 mins

North Star Village is under the umbrella organization Villages Northwest.

- It is an aging in place ‘village’
- What is aging in place?
  - Allowing people to stay in their homes and neighborhoods
    - The Village supplies support and services
    - It is not a physical location, it is your home
      - There is no ‘North Star Village’ on the map
      - It is a service area
      - First in 2001, second in 2007, 138 in 2014 and now there are ~150 inexistence
      - 501C3
      - The village members are involved in the planning, sets the rules, services and fees
      - It allows people service and community while allowing you to age in place, remain active and independent
      - Background checks and location of existing services are located and vetted by the offices
The Village locates services for its members
- Gardening, transportation, meals on wheels, gutter cleaning, etc....

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**Update on Safety at NE Garfield and NE Mason (Margo) 5 mins**
- Pastor Roy from Portland Philadelphia Baptist Church raised concerns about intersection safety (see January 2014 minutes)
- Margo contacted Rich Newlands from PBOT (Portland Bureau of Transportation) relating to this issue the take away is there is so much development on Williams they will wait to see how that changes traffic patterns. A traffic study could potentially be initiated
- There is the potentially to apply to make it a ‘Place Making’ intersection. Late on deadlines but a possibility and Pastor Roy was interested in this idea
- Meet with Albina Head start coordinator to see if they have any concerns and try to get them involved
- There are no plans for any speed bumps in any of Portland. There is no funding for them unless they are related to another project
- Call to lend a hand with paperwork and fundraising for the ‘place making’ potential

**Street Tree Inventory (Van) 5 mins**
- King has been accepted for the Inventory this summer
  - There are workshops for leaders and volunteers
    - March 14th 9:00 to noon at Pilgrim Lutheran Church (?)
  - Looking for volunteers
    - Facebook
    - KNA
    - Nextdoor
- Meet up area needed for day of inventory
  - Possible King School Parking lot
- Specific dates of the training and inventory days will be announced at the March meeting

**Spring Clean Up (Margo) 5 mins**
- Mark Buckwald has volunteered organize the cleanup
  - He did it last year
- NECN has hired a temp to help with the training and paperwork for the clean up
- Attempts will be made to use NECN's parking lot instead of the police precinct cleanup
- Would like to try and arrange a 'garage sale'
- The date is May 9th or 16th.....to be confirmed in March meeting
- What can we do to make it an attractive event?
  - Raffle?
  - BBQ?
King Movie in the Park (Margo) 5 mins

- Application Deadline is 20th of February
- Issues in the past with King have been bad movies and bad service and bad dates.
- Top choices are chosen from the list
- 1/3 City of Portland, 1/3 Parks and Rec and 1/3 KNA. $650 via general funds, on-screen advertisements before movie, spring clean up funds, other fundraising?
- Due to time restraints and cost risks associated with bands. Parks approved musical group will be used
- Many members would like to see a rock wall for kids
- Food carts are also a possibility

Call to approve hosting a movie at King Park with a budget of $1000 to potentially including a rock wall

Motion by: Leigh
Second by: Diego
Y - 7, N- , A, - ; Motion passes

Approve Minutes from January General Meeting

Motion by: Diego
Second by: Jeff
Y - 7 , N- , A, - ; Motion passes

Approve Minutes from January 2015 General Meeting

Motion by: Nick
Second by: Leigh
Y - 7 , N- , A, - ; Motion passes

Approve Minutes from November 2014 General Meeting

Motion by: Jeff
Second by: Diego
Y - 7 , N- , A, - ; Motion passes