

# Minutes

## Montavilla Neighborhood Association (MNA)

### Board Business Meeting:

6:35pm

May 8, 2017.

**Present:** Benjamin Kerensa (presiding as Chair), Elaine Hakala, Jane Lawson, Jonnie Shaver, Jennifer Tamayo, and Eve Nilenders (notetaker). Quorum satisfied: 6/8 present.

**Regrets:** Michael Sonnleitner (on vacation celebrating his 34<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary). **NOTE:** Michael later received the notes taken by Eve & presented them in the current form (since Eve resigned from the Board prior to producing them as Minutes).

**Guests:** Ben Turton, Sergei Turzhanskiy, Louie Baulas, & Uriel

**Consent agenda** – Approved.

Benjamin proposed to add to the Agenda: Get Quickbooks online authorized \$50 online. Get t-shirts; window clings. Asking for up to \$300 for them. Agenda modification approved.

#### **Board candidates:**

- Ben: sr. pastor at Central Bible Church, which is at 92<sup>nd</sup> and Glisan. Needs to be granted membership in order to run for office. Membership: yes, unanimous
- Louie – 5 year res, community power, over a decade of experience organizing; started philanthropy board
- Sergei – 4 yrs in Montavilla, public safety interest; background in security/bouncer, artist, neighborhood watch interest
- Questions for Ben Tertin re; – about at-large and communications positions; B.K. - Communications has larger portfolio. Jennifer and Jonnie have both had this role.
- Jennifer and Ben have split Communications Committee role in interim.
- J.T. – timely communications.
- B.K.'s view: "baseline is 6-10 hours/week" for board members.
- Ben T. – journalism undergrad, freelance work. Not a lot of social media experience.
- Jennifer – move to appoint Ben T., Louie, and Sergei as at-large members.

**Res. 2017-5-8a: Appoint New MNA Board Members to serve in at-large positions: Ben Tertin, Sergei Purchanskiy, and Louie Baulas** (unanimously approved). \* **Sergei Purchanskiy was confirmed as MNA Public Safety Committee Chair.**

#### **Add-on agenda items discussed:**

- \$300 for t-shirts, swag, & clings
- \$50 for Quickbooks

**Res. 2017-5-8b: To authorize expenditures of up to \$300 for t-shirts, swag, & clings; and \$50 for Quickbooks** (unanimously approved)

**Benjamin Kerensa went over G-Suites:**

- By end of month, all board members should be using @montavillapdx.org emails, NOT personal emails.
- Why:
  - Otherwise, personal emails could be subpoenaed.
  - Continuity in communication. Can see past board members' communications.
- Go to: mail.montavillapdx.org
  - Login is your first name. Temporary password has been sent/will be sent to you.
  - Use: [Board-private@montavillapdx.org](mailto:Board-private@montavillapdx.org) to email the entire board.
  - To access files, go to: drive.montavillapdx.org (or when you're logged in, go to app icon and select "drive.")
- Email list using personal emails will shut down at the end of the month.
- Website:
- To access as an administrator:
  - Go to: [www.montavillapdx.org/wp-admin](http://www.montavillapdx.org/wp-admin)
  - You should be able to log in as an administrator with your @montavillapdx.org login/password.

Adjourned 7:31pm

**MNA General Meeting:****Board member updates:**

Benjamin: Clean-up – raised \$1700.

Jonnie: Housing/Homelessness meeting; Alternative housing solution; Vahid Brown; Neighborhood emergency housing fund – planning pasta dinner and art auction; Feeding in Montavilla Park.

**Sunday Parkways Presenters:** Elaine Hakala and Roger Warren

- Sunday Parkways are starting up.
- First one of the season is on: May 21, in Southeast

**Coalition for Healthy Kids & Education Presenter:** Tom Brown, Field Director

- Initiative to tax sugary drinks to fund early childhood education, nutrition, dental health, efforts to improve physical activity.
- Most effective way to quickly reduce consumption of sugary drinks.
- They have a volunteer event at Heartwalk on May 20.
- Discussion about whether this is a regressive tax that hurts the poor and whether there is evidence
- Questions about what the funding will go to. According to the draft Set up community advisory board to advise county on how to spend it.