

Montavilla Neighborhood Association Board Meeting

Monday, February 10th 2014, MUMC, 232 SE 80th Ave.

<u>Board Members Present</u>: Fritz Hirsch, Diana Marshall, Stefanie Dieffenbach, Steve Rice, Peter Maris, Laura Spidell, Roger Warren, Lew Scholl, Benjamin Kerensa

Guests and Neighbors: Beth Sanders, Darvel Lloyd, Mary Kinnick

Meeting called to order at 6:32pm

Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved with a few suggested additions, none permitted in regards to time.

Approval of January Minutes

✓ The wrong minutes were presented therefore not accepted.

Board Member Updates:

<u>Finances</u>: Diana provided a handout visually depicting our current budget, which has an additional \$750 from Thatcher's Brew Fest. Otherwise it remains the same as last months (see Cloud file).

Strategic Planning: Steve

Steve recapped outcomes of the planning report. He wants to schedule a public meeting in regards to our Strategic Plan on Monday March 31st @ PCC from 6-8pm. Our contact is Christine Egan. (christine.egan15@pcc.edu (971)722-8423. The meeting will be broken up into 5 small groups with volunteer board members facilitating. The goal is to gather interested parties to work in each small group long term. For example, Lew already has 4 members in his Transportation and Safety group so Steve is using this as a model. Steve will propose an agenda and a meeting format at the March board meeting.

Communication Committee & Survey: Steve

Communications Committee will follow up with changes in our meeting structures (Ben). Steve provided the board with a summary of the survey in a draft form with appendices. The appendices present findings with neighbor suggested "ideas" and serve as a reference. Steve categorized them appropriately (see Cloud file). The appendix serves as a resource for the board and the results will be the focus of the Strategic Planning Forum in late March.

Guest: Beth Sanders, North Tabor Neighborhood Association, Land Use and Transportation

Beth is here to solicit for written support regarding a letter to the city's comprehensive plan. This letter includes verbage regarding zoning studies and changes (example: Hospital, MAX station, etc). Tabor residents have expressed a desire for similar concepts on Burnside, too. The letter also advocates for

more inclusionary zoning and tear down ideas. Finally, the letter addresses transportation related improvements that might complement NTabor growth (particularly around bike/pedestrian safety). The city planner is John Cole. Fritz and Lew will commit to reviewing the letter and collaborating as they see fit at this time. http://northtabor.org/2014/02/07/ntna-land-use-transportation-meeting-minutes/

<u>Guests:</u> Mary Kinnick (Weed Warrior Coordinator) and Darvel Lloyd (crew leader), Friends of Mt. Tabor Weed Warrior project

FOMT will be applying for a major Metro restoration grant in regards to habitat restoration at Tabor Park. Current support stems from Hands on Portland, volunteers/neighbors, SOLVE etc. In 2010 the BES initiated Tabor into the River project by capturing water in the reserves. Since then, they have been restoring habitat on Tabor to keep the water in the ground. With all this involvement, there's a strategic plan in action. Their current project grant will end in 2017 with \$230-240,000 invested. There's still a lot of work to be done with maintenance and revisiting sites with overgrowth. More plants that are invasive and non-native are making their way into the park now that it's being restored. FOMT is looking to form an alliance/partnership regarding volunteerism. The grant meeting is in April and FOMT would like to enter this meeting with their alliances in tow. Peter suggested we take on one specific event as a neighborhood to bring volunteers to assist in their endeavors. Mary is also asking for a small annual financial contribution and someone to post their advertisements. This matter will be further researched as a Board with the next meeting. http://www.taborfriends.com. Tabor to the River files are available on their website as well as http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bes/47591.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:36pm

Submitted by Stefanie Dieffenbach, Secretary



Montavilla Neighborhood Association General Meeting

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<u>Guests and Neighbors</u>: Beth Sanders, Darvel Lloyd, Mary Kinnick, Michael Sonnleitner, Gar Tuyls, Tina Granzo, Neil Mattson, Chris Cooper, Vivian Fiallo

Meeting called to order @ 7:38pm

Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved with no additions.

Introductions: Board members and guests introduce themselves, their roles on the board (if applicable) and where they live in Montavilla.

Raffle: Raffle tickets for attendance at the Bridger School Auction were kindly given to the Montavilla Food Coop to raffle at their Saturday meeting since our attendance is primarily board members who are exempt from the raffle. Food Coop members graciously accepted this donation.

Social Time: Meet Your Neighbors! Because of the weather and low attendance, this General Meeting is a Social Hour of engagement, conversation and getting to know one another. Questions can be answered by the board regarding any topic or project previously mentioned. Refreshments provided.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:26pm

Submitted by Stefanie Dieffenbach, Secretary