



Kenton Neighborhood Association

Monthly Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2009 7:00 p.m.

Attendance: Gaylen Beatty, Phillip Brunner, Jessie Burke, William Crawford, Larry Fellows, Leslie Foren, Nancy Husband, Steve Kayfes, Vicky Kirk, Kathryn Levine, Janis McDonald, Ron McDonald, Angela Moos, Amber Mullooly, Steve Ruppert, Brenda Ray Scott, Kimberly Smith, Maggie Sober, Katie Steinhauer, Jared Tormohlen, Willa Watkins, Richard Watson, Marina Wynton

Guests: Gaylen Beatty (3 Rivers Land Conservancy), Janis McDonald (City of Portland staff, Portland Sunday Parkways), Katie Steinhauer (Portland Sunday Parkways), and Arianne Sperry (Bureau of Planning)

Call To Order / Request for New Agenda Items

Angela Moos: Made a motion to add Marina Wynton and Kimberly Smith to the KNA – Board of Directors.

Moved: Jared Tormohlen / Second: Richard Watson **Motion carries.**

Introductions / General Announcements

Communications Committee: Vicky Kirk informed us that she is now able to add postings to the Portland Sentinel website. KNA-Connect newsletter will be postponed a few weeks while waiting for further information from the Co-chairs & Portland Police Bureau. The newsletter will have a Public Safety focus.

Treasurer's Report / Ian Denny

Tabled

Secretary's Report / Brenda Ray Scott (Secretary ProTem)

Tabled

3 Rivers Land Conservancy presentation / Gaylen Beatty

Backyard Habitat Certification Program: City Wide certification started in 2008 with the Keller Woodlands in Forest Park/Trion Hills area to help eradicate the English Ivy problem.

They will provide site tours/visits/certification for the 4-pronged certification process: Planting Native Plants, Removal of Invasive Plants, Stormwater Management & Wildlife Stewardship. 4 Certification levels with benefits for each: Participation in program, Silver, Gold, Platinum. \$25 fee includes metal yard signage, informational packet & achieved level of benefits.

With a goal of 1,000 participants in the next 3 years, the organization wants to use Kenton as a pilot for the project.

Date : Saturday April 18th, 2009 (Day before Earth Day, no time set)

Kenton Neighborhood Association

Monthly Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2009

Portland Sunday Parkways presentation / Janis McDonald & Katie Steinhauer

Portland Sunday Parkways: Sponsored by Transportation Options (Bureau of Transportation/City of Portland)

So far, sponsorship includes \$115k (\$70k from the Kaiser Foundation) raised. Sponsorships from local businesses (sponsorships start at \$500).

400+ volunteers are being sought to work 3 ½ hour shifts to keep things flowing.

At least 2 areas will have the police present at street closures as well as many flaggers to help direct all traffic. Notification will be sent to the 12k households affected via 2 letters & a door hanger.

Sunday Parkways Café (brainstorming session): Saturday March 7th from 9-11am at the Kenton Firehouse

Date: Sunday June 21st, 2009 from 9am-4pm

Neighborhood Clean-up discussion / Willa Watkins

Metro neighborhood clean-up program: They provide 3 large dumpsters for garbage, paint, scrap, metal, wood, clothing, tires, plastic planting pots etc. for recycling, encouraging the neighborhood to get rid of all the items they would normally take to the Transfer Station for a fee. Suggested donations will be accepted.

Moved: Jessie Burke / Second: Jared Tormohlen **Motion carries.**

Date: Saturday May 2nd, 2009, no time indicated

Co-Chairs Report / Brenda Ray Scott and Arianne Sperry (Bureau of Planning):

Oregon Main St. Program: Oregon Trust Preservation Program to help the business aspect of the N. Denver revitalization. They provide technical assistance & training but no monetary support via a 4 Point Model: Coordination/Coalition, Design (Storefronts), Promotion, Economic Restructuring. 3 Levels available: Exploring Downtown (open enrollment), Transforming Downtown (application process, committees), Performance Downtown (certification, hired downtown Manager)

Portland Police Precinct Restructuring: Chief Rosie Sizer is proposing restructuring which would result in going from 5 precincts down to 3 within North Portland. Brenda would like to send a letter voicing our (KNA) concern & hopes to keep the N. Denver location open with the same services available, also recognizing the \$1/year that the Masonic Lodge charges the City to utilize the space. She will send a draft letter to the board members for review & approval tomorrow.

Moved: Jessie Burke / Second: Jared Tormohlen **Motion carries.**

Paul Bunyan: The Paul Bunyan statue has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Story featured in local newspapers from the Oregonian to the Seattle Post Intelligencer.

Other Business:

Kenton Neighborhood Association

Monthly Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2009

Steve Ruppert: Land Use Case# 08-180303 AD: Steve would like the KNA to send a letter re: maintaining the livability of the area with respect to detached structures near or on property lines, deadline for letter Friday February 20th, 2009. Letter to be written by the Co-Chairs and circulated to the Board Members for review and approval.

Vicky Kirk: Draft of Vision Statement & supplemental notes from the September 10th, 2008 meeting. Supplemental notes include different committees, subcommittees & members established. Vicky will send both drafts to the Co-Chairs for circulation to the Board Members for review & approval.

Adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Moved: Larry Fellows / Second: Marina Wynton