



Kenton Neighborhood Association

Monthly Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2009 7:00 p.m.

Attendance: Staff Sergeant By, Ian Denny, Ken & CeCie Doud, Larry Fellows, Leslie Foren, Josh Gartenbaum, James E. Harris, Laura Johnson, Genevieve Joplin, Vicky Kirk, Nell Kolden, Christopher Little, Kari McFarlan, Angela Moos, Karen Munday, Kevin O'Dea, Officer W. Ollenbrook, Mike Payne, Elizabeth Phillips, Pastor Edgar Rodriguez, Steve Ruppert, Brenda Ray Scott, Gregory & Kimberly Smith, Officer M. Snyder, Jared Tormohlen, Willa Watkins, Richard Watson, Mark Wells, Marina Wynton

Presenters: Staff Sergeant By, Officer W. Ollenbrook & Officer M. Snyder (Portland Police Bureau – Crime Statistics), Karen Munday (Audubon Society of Portland) & Nell Kolden (Three Rivers Land Conservancy) - Backyard Habitat Certifications, Elizabeth D. Phillips PhD (Historic Columbian Cemetery), Mark Wells (Crime Prevention Coordinator) & James E. Harris (U-Licious Smokehouse & Grill) – Good Neighbor Agreement

Call To Order / Request for New Agenda Items

Staff Sergeant By, Officer W. Ollenbrook & Officer M. Snyder (Portland Police Bureau):
Crime statistics comparison 1st quarter 2008 to 1st quarter 2009: Car prowls are always the highest occurrences particularly because our reporting area includes the Tri-Met Park n' Ride near Delta Park, Josh Gartenbaum had question re: incident on Lombard night of 4-5 (a large group of kids, possibly with knives) resulted in closure of the street @ Denver Ave., Willa Watkins had a question regarding number of burglaries; difference between 2008 & 2009

Introductions / General Announcements – April 18th event

Nell Kolden & Karen Munday (Three Rivers Land Conservancy/Audubon Society of Portland): Nell working on certification celebration event from 4-5pm at Posies Café after site visits completed from 10:30am-2:30pm. Site visits will be completed by 4 staff members or volunteers in 1 hour increments at 16 different locations. Celebration afterwards, for Backyard Habitat participants & their families, will include free food & coffee, raffle of books, plants & gifts also a landscape architect & plant expert to answer questions & take discount plant orders.

If anyone hasn't yet signed up for a site visit, but would like one that weekend, please contact Nell directly @ 503-699-9825 & she can schedule your visit for Sunday, April 19th. More information & online sign-up is also available at

<http://www.audubonportland.org/backyardwildlife/backyardhabitat/kenton>.

Press releases will be sent out to local media week of event & planning on having pictures taken at Marina's home & Posies Café to showcase the day's events.

To cover costs of celebration Three Rivers, Audubon & Marina Wynton have each chipped in \$50 for a total of \$150 to cover costs of coffee & food @ Posies. Kenton Neighborhood will contribute an additional \$50 for a total of \$200.

Moved: Brenda Ray Scott / Second: Richard Watson **Motion carries.**

Treasurer's Report / Ian Denny:

\$3,995 in both accounts, March activity: \$15 revenue for Book Sales, \$10 in Bank fees, \$0.36 in interest earned, \$1,100 paid for Communications Grant Expense.

Past reports are now available on Wiki's Treasury page.

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Secretary's Report / Kimberly Smith:

March 2009 minutes reviewed but were not approved. Approval will be sought at next Board Meeting May 13th.

Paul Bunyan Update / Angela Moos & Brenda Ray Scott:

PDC Livability Grant available for historic structures, bid applications due April 28th. Angela and Brenda plan to apply for grant & utilize funds for anti-graffiti precautions for Paul Bunyan: metallic paint & sealant to make it easier to clean graffiti off. Kimberly Smith suggested some of the funds be utilized for nighttime lighting; Larry Fellows suggested that we tap into the resource IBEW Local 48 who donated the lighting for the Portland Steamer along I-5. A motion affirming the board's support of the application was approved.

Moved: Kimberly Smith / Second: Vicky Kirk **Motion carries.**

Historic Columbian Cemetery / Elizabeth D. Phillips PhD:

PDC Grant Application: Funds needed for upkeep, anti-vandalism implementation & restore the cemetery to its former beauty as well as a detailed & current survey of those buried there, as existing records are very outdated. Slideshow presentation of damage done to tombstones & graffiti on grounds as well as history of the cemetery itself: Heritage Roses throughout the cemetery were brought over on the Oregon Trail, many historical figures are buried there including: Capt. Lewis Love & James John. Five to six burials a year still taking place on previously purchased family plots. For more information & to find out how to volunteer please visit: www.columbiancemetery.org. A motion to provide a letter of support from the KNA for this PDC Grant application was approved.

Moved: Brenda Ray Scott / Second: Ian Denny **Motion carries.**

Spring Neighborhood Clean – Up discussion / Willa Watkins:

Location established in parking lot on corner of N. Farragut & N. Delaware, Goodwill has joined in the recycling efforts & can take varying items, will check into Port-a-Potty donation since fees range from \$95-\$200 per day, has a proposed drafted flyer to be handed out to neighbors by board members promoting the event

Vicky Kirk: Will knock on gentleman's door that lives on corner of Brandon &

Kilpatrick for metal recycling and/or call Bob's Metals to see if they will participate

Pastor Edgar Rodriguez: Has 4 trucks lined up with 8 men who will be able to pick-up items from elderly or those who can't bring items to dumpster site, will bring (1) 12'x12' canopy for volunteers to stand under

Brenda Ray Scott: Loaves & Fishes will include information in their menu, will have to curtail those who don't live within Kenton Neighborhood boundaries as they come up Still needed: Mattress recycling possibly by Community Warehouse?? & establish a group meeting date & time for final roles/chores in preparation for the event itself

Moved: Vicky Kirk for \$50 from the general fund for publicity flyer printouts / Second: Ian Denny **Motion carries.**

Moved: Jared Tormohlen for \$5 per person (up to \$100) from general fund for lunch expenses for volunteers / Second: Marina Wynton **Motion carries.**

Portland Sunday Parkways discussion / Brenda Ray Scott:

Still looking for 400+ volunteers for Kenton section of the route, online volunteer sign-up can be found at www.gettingaroundportland.org by clicking on "Sunday Parkways"

Vicky Kirk: April 18th Kenton Walkers will be utilized to place door hangers for all households directly on route, if you would like to help distributing them please e-mail her at info@historickenton.com

General Meeting Planning – Theme? / Angela Moos:

300+ attendees last year including Rex Burkholder, Jeff Cogen & Mayor-Elect Sam Adams, will hold Board elections, updates/changes to By-Laws etc. Date: Wednesday, June 10th, this year's theme to be Volunteerism as suggested by Vicky Kirk. Time TBD.

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Still need: Photographer, donated prizes, staff for the KNA information table. The location will likely be the same as last year's meeting, which took place at the Masonic Lodge. Per Richard Watson, Brenda will submit request in writing tonight, including mention of liability insurance carried by the KNA so that he may submit the request for a meeting scheduled for tomorrow, Thursday, April 9th.

Co-Chairs Report / Brenda Ray Scott:

ONI Budget: We still have \$1,322 to be used by June 30th. Vicky Kirk brought to our attention that we have 3 newsletters at \$500 each to be paid with those monies.

Interstate Urban Renewal Advisory Committee: It has been confirmed that Pam Arden will be seeking another term on the board & in order to keep her representation to the PDC we should have a letter of recommendation written & approved by the KNA board members.

Moved: Brenda Ray Scott / Second: Ian Denny **Motion carries.**

ICURA Parks Sub-Committee representative: Jared Tormohlen & Marina Wynton have volunteered to represent the KNA. A motion to formally recognize Jared & Marina as KNA's co-representatives passed.

Moved: Brenda Ray Scott / Second: Angela Moos **Motion carries.**

Kenton Neighborhood Association By-Laws: A couple of volunteers needed to work from 4-5 hours to review & revise & compare to other neighborhood associations. All will need to be completed by May to post revisions & vote on at General Meeting in June
Kenton Park – Concerts in the Park August 2009: In need of major sponsor to continue events throughout the summer

Portland Police Precinct Restructuring: The Office of Neighborhood Involvement's budget being cut by up to 20%. To ensure the North Precinct location will retain services & hours residents are encouraged to visit the City of Portland website @ www.portlandonline.com & write letters with personalized encouragement to retain the local office funding. Budget process is also available on the city's website.

Funding Opportunities meeting: For the North Portland Community, April 14th 7-9pm. Please see Brenda for more information if you are interested in attending.

Other Business:

Mark Wells (Crime Prevention Coordinator) & James E. Harris (U-Licious Smokehouse & Grill) – Good Neighbor Agreement:

Mark Wells: A "Good Neighbor Agreement" is being drafted for U-Licious Smokehouse & Grill opening next week at 2929 N. Russet St. The agreement is a non-legally binding document that is formulated in cooperation with the business and neighborhood to address concerns, create compromises, and confirm individual party responsibilities. The agreement is signed by the business, neighbors, and Police and kept on file should a concern arise in the future.

James E. Harris: History of the business: Previously owned a similar business (home style cooking with a Portland Southern flair) at 4057 N. Interstate Ave. that opened August 2005. Due to a major illness the business was closed for over a year & moved to the current location on N. Russet St. No prior violations reported.

Plans for new location: Hours of Operation (dependant on demand) are planned as 10:30am-11pm with the possibility of staying open longer on Friday & Saturday nights when light entertainment, predominantly local acoustic (non-amplified) jazz & blues artists are performing, Seating Capacity is 50 including 16 outdoor seats, there will be 6 video lotto machines cordoned off within the bar section, in the process of applying for a liquor license & because 12 (9 from same address) letters of opposition received at the OLCC they will consider the agreement in their application review

You can contact Mark Wells to be included in the Good Neighbor Agreement communications and meeting (TBD) via e-mail @ wells@ci.portland.or.us or calling the local office @ 503-823-4098.

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Adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Moved: Angela Moos / Second: Ian Denny