



## Kenton Neighborhood Association

Monthly Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2009 7:00 p.m.

**Attendance:** Webly Bowles, Ian Denny, Ken Doud, Larry Fellows, Leslie Foren, Christopher Little, Angela Moos, Mike Morris, Steve Ruppert, Brenda Ray Scott, Kimberly Smith, Stephen Sykes, Jared Tormohlen, Willa Watkins, Richard Watson, Marina Wynton

**Presenters:** Stephen Sykes (City of Portland Bureau of Environmental Services – Fenwick Basin Sewer Rehabilitation Project)

### Call To Order / Request for New Agenda Items

### Introductions / General Announcements – Spring/Summer 2009 dates to remember (on back of Meeting Agenda) / Angela Moos:

SOLV Neighborhood Cleanup in Kenton: May 16<sup>th</sup> 12-2pm, meet at the Historic Kenton Firehouse then split into groups for cleanup of litter & debris, green flyers are available  
Lovett Deconstruction Salvage Yard's 2<sup>nd</sup> Plant Swap: May 16<sup>th</sup> 9am-5pm, are planning on holding them once a month through September 2009

Kenton's Third Thursday event kick-off: May 21<sup>st</sup> 5:30-9pm, Marina's new business (Olivine & Assoc. LLC) location within Kenton Commons featuring her landscape & interior design as well as an art gallery @ 2121 N. Willis Blvd. Celebration with start with light hors d'oeuvres & libations. Hoping to make it a monthly event every third Thursday of the month where other businesses will stay open late. For more information please contact Marina Wynton @ 503-944-9765 or [olivineassoc@gmail.com](mailto:olivineassoc@gmail.com), post cards for the first event are available

KNA's General Meeting: June 10<sup>th</sup>, time TBD later in this meeting, Masonic Lodge on Denver Ave.

Sunday Parkways Volunteer Training: June 17<sup>th</sup>, time TBD, goal of 400 volunteers for the Kenton part of route, not limited to Kenton residents, so far under 100 have volunteered, shifts will be between 2-4 hours so volunteers can still enjoy the event themselves

Sunday Parkways Volunteer Training: June 20<sup>th</sup>, time TBD

Sunday Parkways Event: June 21<sup>st</sup> 9am-4pm

KNA's Board Meeting: July 8<sup>th</sup> 7pm Historic Kenton Firehouse

KNA's Board Meeting: August 10<sup>th</sup> 7pm Historic Kenton Firehouse

Kenton Park Concert Series: August 11<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm featuring Cana So

Kenton Park Concert Series: August 18<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm featuring Casey Neill & the Norway Rats

### Treasurer's Report / Ian Denny:

\$6,992.21 in both accounts, April activity: \$850 revenue for Neighborhood Cleanup, \$7 in Bank fees, \$0.09 in interest earned, \$162.06 paid for Neighborhood Cleanup + outstanding items for Port-o-Potty (Willa), Posies Café (Jesse) & additional dumpster ordered.

Starting with this report dates of activity will be through the meeting date vs. previous calendar month as previously submitted.

Moved: Brenda Ray Scott / Second: Larry Fellows **Motion carries.**

### April Event Review / Angela Moos:

Kenton Neighborhood Cleanup / Willa Watkins: May 2<sup>nd</sup> 10am-2pm, .75 tons to Goodwill, 1.5 tons of scrap metal, 3.4 tons of yard debris, 9.4 tons of mixed waste,

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.5 tons of wood & building materials, 30 tires & 6 bicycles. They ended up having to order 1 additional dumpster to accommodate the great response. Angela will send letter of thanks to Les Schwab for recycling tires received & Charlie Farga @ People of Praise for use of their parking lot to hold event Three Rivers Land Conservancy & Audubon Society of Portland Backyard Habitat Certification Day / Marina Wynton: April 18<sup>th</sup> 10:30am-2:30pm, 20 backyards looked at 3 certifications, looking at making this an annual Earth Day event & in a couple of years to include garden tours of previously visited/certified sites

#### **Secretary's Report / Kimberly Smith:**

March 2009 minutes reviewed at last meeting but were not approved.

A motion to approve March 2009 minutes was approved.

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

April 2009 minutes reviewed, will have some revisions so final copy will be approved via e-mail to the Board members, asking to accept April notes for review with acceptance to come at a later date, before the General Meeting

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

#### **Bureau of Environmental Services (BES) Outreach Presentation / Stephen Sykes:**

Fenwick Basin Sewer Rehabilitation Project: April 27<sup>th</sup> flyer mailed to all households effected, construction starting May 14<sup>th</sup> with N. Winchell, then N. Farragut & lastly N. Kilpatrick streets. Project will construct roughly 1,200' of new 30" reinforced concrete sewer lines (replacing 60-80 year old 18" concrete pipes), 13 manholes & lateral connections (curb line to main sewer) on selected blocks of these three streets. Project expected to last 90-120 calendar days at a cost of \$750k but bid came in at a little under half of that estimated cost due to the current economic times & multiple bids received. Project will help prevent sewer back ups into basements like one that occurred near N. Russet & N. Interstate May 2<sup>nd</sup> affecting 3 homes, currently being addresses with an emergency line replacement. Most of Kenton neighborhood has a combined system in which sewer & run-off flow into the same sewer line.

Work hours will be 7am-3pm. Any residents with known access needed during those work hours (i.e. medical transportation, visitation, etc.) can schedule equipment move with as little as 20 minute notice directly to workers or by contacting Stephen Sykes @ 503-823-7898 if access is known previous to that work day.

Any project questions can also be directed to Stephen at

[stephen.sykes@bes.ci.portland.or.us](mailto:stephen.sykes@bes.ci.portland.or.us)

To report sewer problems 24-hours a day call 503-823-1700

#### **General Meeting Planning / Angela Moos & Brenda Ray Scott:**

Date: June 10<sup>th</sup> at the Kenton Masonic Lodge starts at 5pm with the Information Fair & dinner (graciously provided by the Masonic Lodge) then at 7pm the General Meeting will start, this year's theme will be Volunteerism.

Information Fair tables will be open to non-profits (as in previous years) such as Tri-Met, Portland Development Council, the new Library branch, Three Rivers Land Conservancy/Audubon Society of Portland, Columbia River Crossing, etc. KNA will be sure to contact the various organizations to see if they can attend this year.

Still need volunteers for various committees. The following people volunteered to help: Door Prizes (Jared Tormohlen), Elections Committee (Kimberly Smith & Marina Wynton), Greeting Committee, Cleanup Committee (Webly Bowles), Information Fair Committee (Ian Denney, Larry Fellows, Angela Moos)

The Board will be looking for around 7 new members to serve 1 or 2 year terms.

Specifics will be announced at the meeting.

Since the quarterly newsletter, Kenton Connect, will be delayed, flyers are needed to inform the 4,000+ Kenton households of the General Meeting. Will employ Kenton Walkers for distribution but would like more volunteers to help. The following people volunteered to help: Webly Bowles, Jared Tormohlen, Willa Watkins, Marina Wynton,

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Mike Pajunas, Leslie Foren, Mike Morris, Angela Moos, Kimberly Smith. Details to follow for flyer distribution.

#### **Grant Review / Brenda Ray Scott & Marina Wynton:**

Paul Bunyan Repainting & Restoration / Brenda Ray Scott: Portland Development Council grant requested for \$13,317 based upon written bid of \$11,837 from an artist plus \$1,000+ for additional unforeseen expenses or can be utilized to promote the concert series in Kenton Park. KNA will find out end of June if grant approved & project will start this August/September

Community Garden site / Marina Wynton & Alison Sigler: North Portland Rehabilitation Enhancement Fund grant requested for \$4,000 to do a study on 3 potential Community Garden sites. Study will include site design, estimates & drawings. Marina will find out June 1<sup>st</sup> if they've been selected for the interview process & then on June 9<sup>th</sup> if grant was approved. Will plan on presenting results of study at the 2010 General Meeting.

Kenton Park Concert Series / Brenda Ray Scott on behalf of Kathy Armstrong: Metro North Portland Enhancement Fund bid application submitted for \$3,500 for music & movies in Kenton Park for summer 2010

#### **Co-Chairs Report / Angela Moos & Brenda Ray Scott:**

KNA website & newsletter / Angela Moos: Vicky Kirk doing some additional website updates & busy producing Kenton Connect.

KNA T-shirts / Brenda Ray Scott: Seeking authorization for approx. \$530 to order more KNA t-shirts so we have enough supply for all the spring/summer events happening. They cost \$5.20 each to produce & sell for \$15 or 2 for \$20 & we have about four dozen left of the current design. New design will be on white shirt with black font & green tree.

Moved: Brenda Ray Scott / Second: Marina Wynton **Motion carries.**

Peninsula School schedule change / Brenda Ray Scott: Attended the February PTA meeting & found out that the school board was seeking class schedule change from year-round to regular with longer breaks, in March letter of recommendation made to the school board but the first public comment was heard at last weeks PTA meeting. Hoping that the KNA is more informed of future school class schedule changes & that public comment is better represented.

Willamette Week article on David Bravin / Brenda Ray Scott: Interesting article written on a guy who specializes in removing lawns & replacing with native plants. Article passed around & Marina Wynton may contact him for further information.

Community Tree Committee / Brenda Ray Scott: Has been contacted to start a Community Tree Committee within Kenton & one possible project is planting trees along Lombard from Interstate to St. John's. Anyone interested can contact Brenda.

Radon Gas information / Brenda Ray Scott: Have speaker Don Francis present information on Radon Gas at the General Meeting next month or at a Board Meeting presentation since Kenton has a higher rate than most Portland neighborhoods

Columbia River Crossing / Brenda Ray Scott: Have a representative present at the General Meeting next month. Will get in touch with them to see if possible.

#### **Other Business:**

Student Citizen Awards / Richard Watson: Being held at the Masonic Lodge May 21<sup>st</sup> 7-8pm, honoring local students for their community service, all in the Kenton community are invited

Heron Lake Golf Course & Public Park / Steve Ruppert: Attended the new club house opening tonight & wanted to remind everyone that property is also a public park in which the golf course had promised to build public paths through. They will be placing an area for public comment on their website regarding tonight's festivities & he strongly encourages Kenton residents to utilize that space to voice concern over lack of public access to the park.

**Adjourned at 9:07 p.m.**

Moved: Ian Denny / Second: Jared Tormohlen