



Kenton Neighborhood Association

Monthly Meeting Minutes

July 8, 2009 7:00 p.m.

Attendance: Kate Bennett, Jessie Burke, CeCie Doud, Larry Fellows, Leslie Foren, Stephanie Hunter, Vicky Kirk, Amy Lyden, Angela Moos, Mike Morris, Lee Pearlman, Steve Rupert, Kimberly Smith, Kevin Spence, Jared Tormohlen, Marina Wynton

Presenters: Jared Tormohlen (Thank you for local businesses who donated for the General Meeting), Vicky Kirk (Communications Committee Update), Steve Rupert (Land Use Committee Update)

Call To Order / Request for New Agenda Items

Larry Fellows: Old Harbor Oil site, just west of the Expo Center, may have EPA monies available to clean up the pesticides in the old Vanport area. Some volunteers stepped forward at the KNA General Meeting in June to help out with spot checks & angler counts for a month or so, that data will be reported to the EPA. This will hopefully help to secure some clean-up funding. Final review will be September 2009 & the next meeting will be on September 10th, 2009.

CeCie Doud: Would like to become a board member at today's meeting & help spearhead the maintenance of the Kenton Rose Garden. She's retired & would really like to get the gardens to where they should be. Has taken it upon her self to go out & dead-head, weed etc. but would like to make sure the KNA has an active role too.

Moved: Marina Wynton / Second: Larry Fellows **Motion carries.**

Marina Wynton: Community Garden Update: She & Alison Siger wrote a PDC grant for site study but it wasn't funded because at this time the committee felt funds needed to go to causes that were more directly involved in supporting human needs in this bad economy (i.e. Urgent Need - Daycare, housing organizations) They are now looking at doing a site study for Kenton Park & working with the Parks Department. Will keep the KNA updated on any progress

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

Airport Futures Citizen Advisory Group: July 14th 5:30-8:30pm, at the Native American Youth & Family Center 5135 N.E. Columbia Blvd. Kenton residents/board members are strongly encouraged to attend, current noise complaints & plans for future 3rd runway at PDX will be discussed.

Kenton Movie Night / Amy Lyden: July 15th 7:30pm Live music & the movie (Princess Bride) will start promptly at dusk in Kenton Park. Even sponsored by Life Fellowship Church, Kenton Neighborhood Association & Richard Watson (who donated his own \$20 to pay for promotional flyers) There will be a KNA table to sell books, t-shirts etc, but a volunteer to man the table is still needed. Mike Mills volunteered.

Vicky Kirk: Laminated signage from Office Depot will be ready soon. Made to go over existing A-frame signage used for the KNA meetings. Cost was \$120.00 & was paid from her personal funds. Asking for reimbursement from the KNA

Moved: Jessie Burke / Second: Steve Rupert **Motion carries.**

PSAC (Public Safety Action Committee) Meeting: July 22nd 7pm at the Kenton Firehouse. Representatives from the DA office & Portland Police high-ranking officers will be there to answer any questions re: crime issues. Kenton residents/board members are strongly encouraged to attend. Jared Tormohlen volunteered to be there as a representative of the KNA.

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National Night Out: August 4th, time TBD by Po' Shines. Possible closure of Kilpatrick St. planned for the event.

Kenton Park Concert Series: August 11th 6-8pm featuring Cana So

KNA Board Meeting: August 12th 7m at the Kenton Firehouse

NPLUG (North Portland Land Use Group) Meeting: August 17th, 7pm at the Kenton Firehouse

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

KNA Board Meeting: September 9th 7m at the Kenton Firehouse

Treasurer's Report / Ian Denny (not in attendance) / Angela Moos:

Funds Allocation / Kenton Movie Night: \$121 given to the KNA by the Kenton Action Plan to fund the Movie Night that needs to be re-paid.

Moved: Jared Tormohlen / Second: Leslie Foren **Motion carries.**

Consolidation of KNA banking accounts: KNA has 2 accounts with Sterling Savings Bank (around \$2,500 & \$1,200 respectively) would like to vote to consolidate these 2 accounts with the Wells Fargo account (around \$2,500 currently in it)

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

Budget discussion: The KNA has around \$7,000 in the various bank accounts & we need to keep in mind that the Kenton Summer Concerts in the Park were not funded for 2010 (same PDC grant as Marina Wynton for the Community Garden) due to current economic times. In 2009 we received \$1,500 in grant monies to put the concerts on. Next year it would have to come out of the KNA funds. We did, although, receive the \$13,000 for the Paul Bunyan restoration project. Kate Bennett: Could some of those monies be allocated for a trash can in the plaza? Jared Tormohlen will look into sponsorship with Wells Fargo while there dropping off the thank you card

Secretary's Report / Kimberly Smith:

April & May 2009 minutes were approved via e-mail by the board members so they will be submitted to the ONI office

June 2009 General Meeting & Special Meeting minutes passed around.

Angela Moos informed us that we cannot approve meeting minutes via e-mail but rather at an actual board meeting.

With this new information I will be sure to circulate the meeting notes around as soon as I have them finished to the board members & we will then be able to vote approval at the next board meeting.

Thank You's for local businesses / Jared Tormohlen:

Passed around thank you cards for all board members to sign & will distribute them in the next week or so to all the local businesses who donated to the raffle at the June KNA General Meeting.

Also looking for volunteers to help with future donation solicitations. Jessie Burke, Vicky Kirk & Kimberly Smith volunteered to help.

Communications Committee / Vicky Kirk:

Help desperately needed as she's taken on a new job for the summer months.

Help needed: 1. Website coordinator, 2. Graphic designer to layout Kenton Connect newsletter 3. Wikispaces pages aren't being utilized as often as they should be by board members

1. Has been working with Mike Morris on new website design for the past year, it is completed but needs some tweaking before we go "live", Jessie Burke volunteered to take over as coordinator & meet with Mike to get everything ironed out 2. She can't write & physically put the newsletter together. Stephanie Hunter will speak to her husband to see if he would be willing to put the newsletter together for the next issue 3. Vicky will send out Wiki invitations & encourages all board members to create a username, look around & provide feedback at the next meeting on improvements.

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Land Use Committee / Steve Rupert :

ICURAC: Meeting next Monday & a discussion will be had in regards to expanding the Interstate Renewal Corridor boundaries to include MLK. Concerns are that the funds allocated would then go in to newer areas that haven't been involved with the ICURAC as long as Kenton & other neighborhoods have.

"GEM" list of projects include 2 Kenton sites up for funding: Tri-met - Argyle @ Denver & Portland Public Schools - Kenton School field - Interstate @ Lombard. ICURAC is open to new site ideas & would love suggestions from the Kenton residents/board members

KNA's Past/Future Discussion / Angela Moos :

Since time has come up short at tonight's meeting, she will send out a straw poll to the board members on our priorities for the coming year & we will have a think tank workshop at the next board meeting in August on the results from the straw poll.

Topic for August Meeting / Angela Moos:

Budget & Strategic Plan: Promotion funds, budget outline/prioritization, set specific plans in place for 2010, review straw poll results

Adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Moved: Jessie Burke / Second: Mike Morris