

WNA

Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2014

I. Call to order

Julia Simpson called to order the regular meeting of the Willamette Neighborhood Association at 7:05 pm on March 12, 2014 at Pacific West Bank branch in Willamette.

II. Attendance

The following persons were present: Julia Simpson, Jim Milne, Beth Smolens, Elizabeth Rocchia, Vicki Hood, Jeff Hood, Shannen Knight

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes were approved as read.

IV. Open issues

- a) Traffic/parking plan in Willamette: Zach Pelz canceled discussion on Willamette traffic update and will reschedule for next month. Discussion over traffic calming measures; speed bump on Dollar by 8th Avenue, opening 8th Avenue, 4 way stop at 12th and WFD (coming with police station). Members voice concern over WNA representation with the city advisory group to follow this issue and drive new discussion about solutions. Jim Milne is on transportation/safety advisory committee and will bring this up.
- b) WNA Signs: Jim Milne has not received any update from Kirsten about a sign. He will continue to follow the issue.
- c) Benches in Willamette: Elizabeth Rocchia following issue, Beth Smolens had started a community grant request for the 1200 dollars needed to finish the benches. WNA does not qualify for the grant but the Historic Willamette Main Street does and Elizabeth was advised the grant could be submitted through that group. Grant modification were discussed and Beth would get edited version to Elizabeth Rocchia via email. Grant needed to be in by 3/14/14.

V. New business

- a) 4/2/14 Historic Willamette Main Street having an open house at 7:30 am with breakfast treats. Event being held at Youth Music Project building on the corner of 10th and WFD.

WNA Goals 2014: improving attendance to meetings; Julia will look into city assistance with a mailing, group discussed the idea of a quarterly informal meeting at a different time with food (maybe a morning with coffee and treats). Communication: Julia looking into writing a message in the update that goes out with the water bill if mailing not an option.

b) Farmer's Market: Opens June 4th. The city has raised the rates and now the market would be charged about \$1900 dollars for the season. Group is approaching the Willamette Marketplace to see if they can move the market into the parking area.

VI. Adjournment

Julia Simpson adjourned the meeting at 8:35 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Beth Smolens, Secretary