

## MINUTES FROM BNA MEETING, May 21, 2019

- The Meeting began with introductions and a quick review of the ground rules.
- Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed, edited and approved.
- Peggy Kirkendall resigned as Secretary. Jan McCarthy was elected as Secretary. Peggy was thanked for her efforts on behalf of the BNA. Jan McCarthy, Secretary and Bob McCarthy, Vice-President are authorized signers on the BNA account. Alan Smith is removed.
- Matt Brady of Gramor Development was introduced and gave an overview of Gramor's plans for the redevelopment of the land on which the post office and Market of Choice sit.
  - Brady said Gramor wants the post office to remain in Central Village and outlined several locations in Bolton for the short and long term.
  - Gramor plans to remove the existing post office building and build another structure that is compatible with the Central Village architecture, and reconfigure the parking to better suit the Market of Choice and the proposed new building.
  - The design of the proposed new building is dependent on the possible purchases of adjacent properties and decisions by the post office.
  - The post office has been paying a lower than market rate.
  - He discussed the difficulty communicating and working with the post office bureaucracy so that the post office can remain in Central Village.
  - The lease extension is up October 2019, but could be extended to February 2020 before any approved construction begins.
  - Brady asked the Bolton Neighborhood Association for our help with Rep. Schrader, the City Council and other political leaders to help accelerate finding a satisfactory agreement that meets the needs of all parties before time runs out.
- Discussion after Matt Brady presentation.
  - Ask Gramor Development to propose a favorable lease rate given the benefits of having the post office in Central Village.
  - Given the current dynamics and difficulty communicating with the Post Office, the BNA's fear is that no solution will be found in the few months remaining and that West Linn and Central Village will lose our post office.
  - The BNA voted unanimously to authorize its officers to send a letter to the City Council encouraging immediate proactive steps to find an agreement in the short time left. Specifically:
    - Aggressively support and expedite Rep. Schrader's proposed Community Town Hall with all parties, and update the BNA on progress monthly.
    - Engage other political leaders, including Sen. Wyden and Sen. Merkley.

- Updates:
  - Parking. Vince outlined the safety and congestion issues surrounding the high school and distributed photos. A photo gallery is available at [flickr.com/photos/155560432@N06](https://www.flickr.com/photos/155560432@N06).
  - Chief Terry Kruger will attend our June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. We drafted concerns and questions for him. They were:
    - Safety issues of West A Street at the end of the school day.
    - Safety issues with vehicles in the bike lane.
    - No sidewalks.
    - Appearance of lack of enforcement.
    - Illegal use of permits.
    - Wilson and Broadway streets used as a parking lot.
    - Citation statistics.
    - What can your department do to alleviate this situation?
    - What will you recommend to the City Council to address these issues?
  - Bob McCarthy, Alma Coston and Jan McCarthy outlined the proposed development of 1575 Burns Street which if done in concert with our neighborhood plan could complete the economic hub of Bolton that was envisioned in our plan. The presentation of the proposed development is likely months away.
  - The next Waterfront Information Open House is scheduled for Thursday, May 30, 7PM at the Willamette Primary School.
  - We will invite a knowledgeable plumber and NWN representative to make a presentation of emergency natural gas shut off procedures.
  - Social Gathering
    - The BNA Hospitality Committee was formed to plan an Ice Cream Social during the Band Concert as a Community Gathering, at Hammerle Park on July 17, 2019.
    - Committee Members are Alma Coston, Angela Hughey, with help from Hailey Footer and Jennifer Holmes.
    - Concert Contact is Joyce Caraher.
    - Hospitality Committee is authorized to spend up \$200.

Next Meeting: June 18, 2019, 7 PM and likely extended to 9 PM given our full agenda. We hope everyone will join us at our July 17<sup>th</sup> Ice Cream Social-Band Concert Community Gathering at Hammerle Park.

Jan McCarthy, Secretary with a bit of help from the VP.

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BOLTON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

May 21, 2019 Neighborhood Meeting

People in Attendance:

Steve Meisen

Peter Ryder

Matt Grady

Ken Sandblast

Mark Thomas

Ronda Thomas

Holly Bartholomew

Rebecca Adams

Alan Adams

Angela Hughey

Hailey Footer

Jennifer Holmes

Vince Miles

Alma Coston

Jan McCarthy

Bob McCarthy