

BOLTON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION September 17, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM in the Bolton School Cafetorium.

Christine Lewis of the "Yes on 49" ballot measure came to explain the measure for us. She brought yard signs and other information for us. This measure was referred to the voters by the legislature.

Sally reported on our Sept. 15 "Dumpster Day"--all 3 dumpsters were filled. Those helping man the dumpsters were Al Lewis, Bill Coston, Sue Thalman, Cathy and Gordon Bryck and Sally McLarty.

Steve Harry, Frank Nelson, Chris Leedham and Rick Watanabe of ODOT came to give us some history of the construction of our local historic treasured Willamette River Bridge. The bridge repair is on the '08 budget and construction will begin in 2009.

A power point presentation began with pictures from 1921 as divers were going down into the river to make preparations for cofferdams in order to pump the water out to build the foundations for the bridge. Many new practices were employed to build our Willamette River Bridge. The gunnite coating sprayed on to protect the steel framework from the air pollution was a very new technology and is credited for preserving this bridge in very good condition at this time.

ODOT will be restoring the lighting and the bridge itself to as near the original as possible. Vehicular traffic will not be able to use the bridge during construction for a period of from 6 months to a year. Bikes and pedestrians will be provided for during construction.

The meeting was adjourned in order to distribute materials to those desireing signs, etc.

31 people signed in

Submitted by Sally McLarty

NEXT MEETING: October 15, 2007