

## October 24, 2017 Marylhurst Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes

President Oakes called the meeting to order noting a quorum present.

Members reviewed the agenda and added Marylhurst Heights Park maintenance.

Approval of the September 26, 2017 minutes was tabled.

### Backyard Habitat Program Presentation, Anya Pickard

A program of the Portland Audubon Society and the Columbia Land Trust. The program goal is to help people transform their yards to habitats more healthy for people and wildlife.

Participants are provided technical support and incentive to eliminate invasive weeds, grow native plants, reduce/eliminate pesticides, manage stormwater sustainably and be good wildlife stewards. There are three levels of certification to give participants options and it cost \$35.

It was moved and seconded to certify the Labyrinth at Marylhurst Heights Park. Members felt it would be a first step for participation in the neighborhood and also be a good visual promoter. The motion carried 11-0-0.

### Citizen Perspective

President Oakes provided a brief overview and asked for input. It was generally appreciated. One member thought the site review process could really be better. Oakes explained that the CCI considered the Citizen Perspective in its work to improve the land-use process.

### Election of Officers

Members elected Karie Oakes, President, Tom Neff, Vice President and Cathy Boucher, Treasurer. The position of Secretary will remain open until filled.

### Marylhurst Heights Park Maintenance

Members have observed the walking path is overrun with roses and impassable, causing people to walk on the turf and damaging it. Also of concern are invasives in the swale. A letter will be sent to the City requesting maintenance.

Members agreed to cancel the November and December meetings due to holidays.

The next meeting will be January 23, 2018.

The meeting was adjourned.