

## **Marylhurst Neighborhood Association (MNA) Meeting of April 25, 2023.**

At ACC and on Zoom. 7 attended.

### **1. Call to Order and introductions**

7:05 PM: Called to order by Christine Blanche (President). Other board members and neighborhood members present:

Diana Lipton (VP)

Ida Johnstone (Treasurer)

Mary Jean Rivera (Sec)

2 more MNA members and 1 non-member present

Quorum achieved.

### **2. Approve agenda**

### **3. Approve previous meeting's minutes (March 2023)**

Minutes reviewed. Mary Jean moved to approve the minutes. Diana seconded. No opposition, no further discussion. Motion approved.

### **4. Treasurer's report**

Outstanding reimbursements for sign printing

Monthly recurring Zoom expense of \$15.99

Updated report will be provided once Ida is added to the MNA debit account – pending approval of March 2023 meeting minutes to submit to the bank.

Ida and Karie need to physically go to the bank to make account changes.

### **5. New Business**

#### **a. MNA Border**

Christine and several other NAPs met with city staff early in the month, where staffers asked NAPs about the possibility of reducing the number of NAs and matching borders with the primary schools. NAPs agreed to first discuss this with their NAs before then discussing it on an NAP call.

Christine reviewed maps of the current NA and primary school borders. Discussion that expanding MNA to include Stafford school's border was problematic because of the vast area that would cover,

the fact that it would include unincorporated Stafford, and include geographies with different concerns (weather, drainage, city services, etc.) If consolidation was needed, consideration to propose merging with Skyline Ridge and Hidden Springs would perhaps be more reasonable. Christine will bring feedback to the NAPs when appropriate.

b. Scheduling Upcoming Meetings

Discussion that some board members would be unavailable for upcoming meetings. Mary Jean moved to cancel the May and July meetings, keeping the regularly scheduled June and August meetings. Ida seconded. No opposition, no further discussion. Motion approved.

**6. Old Business**

a. Summer Social:

Ida shared updated cost estimates including bounce house rental, food, drinks/frozen treats, advertising, general supplies, park rental (\$0), misc. buffer for a total of \$1139.72-\$1209.72.

Karie (not in attendance) emailed in about concerns that MNA would be held liable for any injuries that may result from rental of the bouncy house. Ida will explore this further with the rental company and City, and communicate back to Christine.

Discussion on catering options:

- Ida has worked with Portland Rescue Missions' catering business, who could provide a 20% and delivery with profits donated back to the mission. Most of their food options weren't specifically picnic/park-style, but they could provide sandwiches. Ida will continue discussions with them to ascertain what appropriate foods could be provided. If we didn't use them for catering, Diana suggested we could still have a collection for donations at the event – noted other NAs have donated their excess annual funds to charities in the past.
- Taco options, Taco Pedaler vs. Chipotle discussed. Food would have to be picked up at either location (Taco Pedaler in

Portland or Chipotle in Lake Oswego) – Ida volunteered to do this and noted preference for Chipotle due to proximity. Agreement that Chipotle may also have a draw for attendees due to brand recognition.

- Christine moved to approve the summer social budget up to \$1300. Diana seconded. No opposition, no further discussion. Motion approved.

Agreement that preference for date of event is Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. Ida will reach out to city staff to secure rental of Shelter B at Marylhurst Heights Park for that date.

b. Neighborhood Signs:

This month, signs were placed at 1) Marylhurst Dr. @ View Dr., 2) Marylhurst Dr. @ Hillcrest Dr. (horse statue), 3) Marylhurst Dr. @ Marylhurst Circle, and 4) Marylhurst Dr. @ Valley View. Discussion that additional placements desired would be on 5) Suncrest, 6) Skye Pkwy @ Mountain View Ct. and 7) at the entrance to Marylhurst Heights Park @ Kapetyns.

Ida requested that one of the large signs she has placed at the ACC be swapped for a smaller one.

Rand has 3 remaining large 24x36 A-frames that could be utilized for the 3 additional desired street placements. We need 6 more inserts printed to fill them – Diana believes this would cost \$36 per insert for a total of \$216. Furthermore, with the last order, Diana ended up getting 2 more inserts than we approved for \$175, for a total cost of \$195, and had planned to eat the \$20 overage. However, as we did obtain 2 more needed inserts for that cost, instead we discussed reimbursing her for them as well as the additional needed inserts, total for which should be ~\$236.

Christine moved to approve additional sign printing costs to Diana including 6 24x36 inserts for \$250. Ida seconded. No opposition, no further discussion. Motion approved.

Also discussed that Rand had some plastic paper signs made a couple months ago for a cost of \$4.60. Christine moved to reimburse

Rand \$4.60 for printing costs. Diana seconded. No opposition, no further discussion. Motion approved.

Discussion that some 8.5x11" paper signs should be printed to place at the ACC to direct attendees to the appropriate meeting room, Ida to manage.

c. Any other Business

Christine received an email from the City about a variance request for development of 6 homes on a lot between Upper and Lower Midhill off Marylhurst Dr. accessed by a private driveway, immediately past our southern border. Code allows for 4 homes. Discussion of driving hazards associated with cars coming out of a driveway onto Marylhurst Dr. as cars come downhill, which would be worsened with more homes. Christine will email the MNA list with the notice from the city so residents are aware and can voice any concerns.

Diana will follow up with Sgt. Snell and other contacts at WLPD regarding safety, particularly with the recent 50-car break-in incident throughout the city. Even if we aren't able to secure a guest speaker, she will look for a handout/PDF of safety best practices we can distribute to our email list and review at an upcoming meeting. Diana also has some Neighborhood Watch stickers she can hand out to residents. Diana also has received approval for installation of Neighborhood Watch signs on properties of 2 homeowners, and has not received responses from 2 others – she will seek out alternate placements and reach out to those homeowners.

**7. Adjournment:**

Diana moved to adjourn at 8:12 PM. Mary Jean seconded. No opposition, no further discussion. Motion passed.