

Neighborhood Association Presidents Meeting

Adult Community Center

July 28, 2016; 7:00pm

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by NAP Vice Chair Karie Oakes.

NA Presidents, or their representative, present were:

- Roberta Schwarz – (Substituting for Ed Schwarz) Savanna Oaks NA President
- Karie Oakes – Marylhurst NA President
- Meredith Olmsted – Barrington Heights, Tanner Woods, Hidden Creek NA President
- Noelle Bledy – (Resident of Sunset NA)
- Tracy Gilday – Skyline Ridge President
- Gail Holmes – Willamette NA President
- Kazi Ahmed – Robinwood NA President
- Alan Smith – Bolton NA President
- Brenda Perry – Councilor
- Courtney Flynn – Citizen Engagement Coordinator

Approval of Meeting Minutes – Approval of the June 30, 2016 meeting minutes was tabled until the next meeting.

NA Reports

Marylhurst (Kari Oakes/President) – Discussing proposal from city to improve Valley View Drive. Lance Calvert (Public Works) couldn't make it so had own discussion. Kari thought the old proposal had better solutions for the Marylhurst Park. Marylhurst NA will keep looking at the old proposal while the city will keep them informed and open to receiving their input. There will be an ice cream social in September 2016.

Savanna Oaks (Roberta Schwarz/Savanna Oaks – Substituting for Ed Schwarz) – Ice Cream social happened in July. Burgerville Fundraiser Aug 10th 5-8pm to benefit the White Oak Savanna Park. On August 24, 44 visiting students from Taiwan Korea and Japan will work in the White Oaks Savanna. Sept. 10 Festival at the Farm at Fiala Farms where there will be crafts, and corn mazes to benefit the White Oak Savanna Park.

Bolton (Alan Smith/President) – Bolton NA is looking to make the community room at the Library a space to hold NA meetings. This space holds 75-100 people and they are outgrowing their old space.

Robinwood (Kazi Ahmed/President) – Robinwood had a good meeting this past month. The new city manager Eileen Stein attended. Issue #1 - The 18000 Upper Midhill Drive is coming. Issue #2 – Mapleton/Kenthorp drainage issue. Annual picnic is August 27th. Kazi brought up the idea for a neighborhood float in the Old Time Fair parade to keep people excited.

Willamette (Gail Holmes/President) – Showed new format for their meeting agenda. Willamette has new storage units to help with storage. The iCon development on 11th and Willamette Falls Drive was passed on August 20 by the planning commission. This is a three-lot commercial building. Not looking as though it will have a boutique hotel at the top. Willamette will put out postcards soon and wants a social to bring people together.

Sunset (Noelle Bledy/Sunset Resident) – The paperwork just came in illustrating Sunset's Pond #3 showing where to dig and line so that the water will not infiltrate the ground.

*Allen asked how the city will be inspecting this, and wants to know if the League of Oregon Cities has an inspector for this type of project and feels that Geotechnical should be under this.

*Kazi wants to know if the city has the expertise to follow this through step by step. He also said that West Linn has enough residents with the expertise in Hydrology and Geotechnical expertise but get denied use of their expertise to help the city. Kazi would like to see those that are qualified in our city to have the opportunity to use their experience. Education in West Linn would be a great on this topic.

*Noelle said that we learned that we need more expertise in Hydrology and Geotechnical expertise.

*Meredith said we are a tree city and are comprised of urban land.

Note: The city manager is also part of the League of Oregon Cities.

Skyline Ridge – (Tracy Gilday/President) – 4th of July picnic went very well. Did not have as many participants this year. No garage sale this year due to no volunteers to help. Will continue efforts to form an Emergency Preparedness Committee to map Skyline Ridge's Neighborhood.

Barrington Heights – (Meredith Olmstead/President) – Not much to report. Residents not big meeting people. Next meeting August 3, 2016.

Old Business

Next NAP meeting is 6 pm August 30 at City Hall.

(Meredith Olmstead/Barrington Heights President)

Success Stories: The stories on what makes your neighborhood successful went very well. Talked about how residents can improve their voice at city hall and how to apply for one of many board positions. Good idea to do this during the week in September. Allen proposed to work on this draft and wants to discuss a location for this in September & October. Doodle Poll works very well.

Willamette Christian Church Property Update:

Had email conversations with the city manager to meet with the Willamette Christian Church. Meredith declined her role as to not be the one who interprets the city ordinances and felt that if she was to be there that it would reduce this issue into a neighborhood conflict. The city manager is now aware of it and the police chief is also aware of it. Meredith would assume that they identify the ordinances being reviewed. Courtney said that Eileen plans to meet with the church and hear all sides of the story so that she can report back to Meredith during her NA

meeting. Now she is giving time to reflect and act and will come back to this issue to ask about progress. Karie said that the Willamette Christian Church has been grandfathered in for the parking lots at Safeway and were giving permission to help with traffic but not with pedestrians. The increase in traffic is not just Sundays now but other days of the week. This church is growing but still need to address the pedestrian issues. Karie will share this info with all NAP's and Eileen for the details. Meredith worries about the lack of interface with the city of West Linn and the County in regards to the impact of each community. Would like to see neighboring cities notified by county if something is being proposed. This was done at the county level. Emergency vehicles cannot get through Salamo on this road. Gail is on Clackamas County Planning division and will mention this issue with them. Next meeting August 3, 2016.

NA tri-fold handout

Meredith would like to make some revisions of the new Map for Movies in the Park and Music in the park. Wants to move Map under City of West Linn NA and move the Car image out. Change image from the Sunset Neighborhood to Marylhurst Heights. Lots of discussion on location of words and recommendation of a map 2 columns wide.

New Business

Movies in the Park

Marylhurst bought tons of popcorn. You can get machine from the city with popcorn bags and need to make arraignments to get that.

West Linn OR 43 – 2016 Conceptual Design Plan

Councilor Perry reported that the city is trying to make an effort to get people involved and we need positive ideas for solutions to get maximum funding.

How do NA's notify residents of Land Use Notifications?

Roberta said if planning commission or land use that is important will send out to NA list. Allen said will put it out for his NA meeting. Brenda is concerned about too many people coming to pre-app as it's a brain storming session. Planning Commission meetings are the right venue for as many neighbors as possible.

Seeing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:51pm.