Neighborhood Association Presidents Meeting

Minutes

7/20/2023

ZOOM and Robinwood Station

Those present were: Kathie Halicki, WillametteBob McCarthy, BoltonCJ Koll, Hidden SpringsDiana Lipton, MarylhurstRich Sakelik, SONAKevin and Mrs. Bryck, Robinwood

The meeting was held at Robinwood Station and via ZOOM.

Beau Genot, guest

The meeting was called to order by Chair CJ Koll at 7:07 pm

Rich moved and Kathie seconded to approve the agenda. Vote was 5/0

The draft minutes from June 22 meeting were unanimously approved

City Council Liaison not present

CCI= Bob McCarthy- City did not ratify bylaws and amended minutes. Poorly supported by Council. Bob and Shannen not interested in continuing to be a part of CCI. CCI is mandated by Oregon law. Sunset/BNA boundary issue, no movement after several years. CCI has 7 seats with only 5 attending.

Updated handbook – postponed discussion to Sept. 21 meeting due to several members not getting the updated copy.,

Camping Task Force = CJ, cars already use library at night (6 of them), use the library restrooms, leave during the day. Sit in library overnight. There are campers below the bridge at West Bridge Park. The Bolton Neighborhood submitted a letter in favor of the Police Station. Diana asked why this is being brought forward that the City Council changed ordinances to qualify for houseless Oregon State law.

NA training program- Robert stated that this came out of staff and NA meeting. NAP would handle training, and the city should pay for it. We know best as to what we need. Bylaws would need to align as what a NA is and what can they do? Training binder/slide show perhaps meetings are not needed. Get all boards together and discuss the difficulties and challenges.

Bylaws and bylaws with addendums.

Bob- training which the city should pay for. City should use City Facebook and other social media. Should include how to run a good meeting (don't dominate) handbook a good start, how we

keep records, boards and members should be more relevant, perhaps use workshops, recognize time commitments.

Diana- bylaws should be loose or flexible framework. Should include how NAs align with City and land use. Many people are not even aware of what a NA does and how it can help.

CJ - 1 hr./90-minute workshops over multiple weeks. He did not like sitting in a room for a couple of hours with John Williams or lawyer doing all the speaking.

Rich- They need marketing, put information in bills and social media, think of a tag line. Should be in council notes every meeting. For the City Council it should be a mandatory requirement to attend and participate in their NA, except where there is a conflict.

Beau- You should receive this information when your water is turned on by the city. It should be included in the water bill.

A marketing tool should be used. Neighborhood Assoc. wins/ what they have gotten done/ what they have defused.

Neighborhood news:

Bolton NA – Aug. 18th at Hammerly Park 5:00 – 7:30 music, ice cream, new V.P. is Vince Miles, noise on Willamette River with jet skier has stopped.

Willamette – discussion on 10th street roundabout, Fields Bridge roundabout and park, Athey Creek Middle School delay.

Marylhurst – Sept. 16th from 12 -4 at Marylhurst Park = a social

SONA – Ice cream Aug. 26th 1-3 at Savanna Oaks Park on Tannler.

Hidden Springs – Russ Axelrod appealed was denied, LUBA – city messed up a date (must be 21 days after signing). Notice not sent to NA President. Aug. 21 at 7:00 pm shaved ice truck, and perhaps a taco truck.

CJ adjourned the meeting at 8:39

Minutes written by Kathie Halicki

Submitted by CJ Koll