# Robinwood Neighborhood Association of the City of West Linn Minutes July 9, 2013

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm Meeting chaired by RNA Secretary Kevin Bryck. June 2013 Minutes approved by voice vote. Motion by Mary Hill, second by Mary Grace. Treasurer Report: Balance on 7/9 is \$5.14 June RNA expenditures were \$299.88, \$200 for fireworks and \$199.88 for food for Station Anniversary Concert authorized at June meeting. RNA should receive a fiscal 2014 city stipend of \$1036.51 in July.

## Announcements:

- Upcoming Garden Classes at Robinwood Station
- July 13, 10-11:00, Kids' Class for ages 5-10, All About Raspberries. \$5
- July 13, 10:30-12:00, Medicinal and Culinary uses of Herbs workshop and tea. \$5
- August 10, 10-11:00, Kids' Class for ages 5-10, All About Tomatoes. \$5

#### **Updates:**

•Bobbin' Robin Club: Jack Norby - We will have live music for the RNA Picnic in August

## Committee Reports:

Streets: Tony Bracco - Still bumpy and full of potholes.

Planning: Kevin Bryck - Red Tape initiative pending that make changes to NA codes.
Robinwood Station: Randall Fastabend - Next month FORS will make a required presentation at the RNA meeting for the purpose of completing the CUP application process.
Work session with city council could have gone better. CM Jordan scheduled meeting when FORS President Fastabend was on vacation so FORS was represented by Mary Hill, Kazi Ahmed and Jack Norby. Council is asking for more clarification regarding FORS finances.

# Old Business: None

New Business: Motion regarding the 'Red Tape' code change initiative by Planning staff.

Motion by Jim O'Toole, second by Mary Hill. By unanimous approval.

Resolved: The Robinwood Neighborhood Association opposes changes to the West Linn Comprehensive Plan and the Community Development Code that weaken protections for our neighborhoods, stripping out key provisions intended to protect our Goal 1 rights and our informed consent during the planning process.

The Robinwood Neighborhood Association objects to any elimination of citizen oversight and participation in the name of "streamlining" and "economic development". West Linn has outgrown our current transportation infrastructure. West Linn does not currently have a large inventory of vacant buildable land to warrant major changes to the existing Code.

The cost of participation in the public planning process is a minuscule component of securing and developing land in West Linn and history shows that public participation results in better projects in our city.

We urge the Planing Commission to retain the current protections of the citizens' land use participation.

Meeting adjourned by acclamation at 8:47

Attendees: 14

Robinwood Neighborhood Association Board Members:

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