

**MARKHAM NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (MKNA) - unapproved
MEETING MINUTES FOR May 9th, 2017**

(12:20) The May 9th 2017 MKNA meeting was called to order at 12:23 PM by President Donna Herron. 14 people attended the meeting. All in attendance were introduced and welcomed. Attendees included: Donna Herron, Kim Herron, Jenna George, Eric Lavake, John Gibbon, Judy Thomas, Patricia Spangler, Rene Jacob, Jeff Monahan, Michael Rueter, Zeta Burton, Karl Helser, Deb Hill, Karen Papania, Linda Zimmerman and Kate Cromwell. A quorum is established. The meeting agenda and the meeting minutes were available for viewing on the MKNA website.

(25:22) John Gibbon motioned to approve the agenda as written. Jenna George seconded. With nobody chatting in the negative, the agenda was approved.

(25:51) President Herron explained the prior meeting minutes were not completed and told the attendees that the meeting was viewable online if anyone wanted to review them. Vice President Kim Herron is also filling in as Secretary and did not get these done in time for tonight's meeting.

Treasury Report: (27:12) Donna summarized the MKNA financial report as Zahra was not at the last meeting. The Bottle Drop program combined with the Fred Meyer Awards program has about \$1,200. Donna reiterated the need to re-register for the Fred Meyer Rewards program as they started a new year so all registrations reset to "null" so it is important to re-register. The Movie in the Park event costs about \$950.00. The movie date is July 9th.

Committee Reports:

Transportation Committee, Jeff Monahan, Chair: Jeff Monahan (30:39) Jeff stated the 19th Avenue and Taylors Ferry Water garden project had begun marking utilities. The contract was awarded to the lowest bidder and was waiting for insurance certificates and PBOT was doing some prep work in advance to the project kicking off like shrub pruning and weed clearing.

Schools Committee, Amanda Garcia Snell, Chair: (41:0) Amanda was not in attendance and had informed Donna she would not be present. Donna reported from an email from Amanda. A \$790 million construction bond will be on the May ballot with schools receiving a prioritized status with many receiving upgrades including Stevenson and other schools in SW Portland.

Public Safety: Phil Ford, Chair, Kim & Donna Herron reporting: (44:00) Police reported they had closed 2 drug houses. The properties had been under surveillance for some time. The police also reported an uptick in burglaries and property crimes in SW Portland. The year over year statistics seem to correlate with the increase in homelessness. They encouraged homeowners to be vigilant. Jennie Pullen, City of Portland Crime Prevention Coordinator, offered a new format for Public Safety Committee where every other meeting a roundtable of

sorts will have police officers and community members sit down and discuss what is on the community's mind. She asked this be presented to the neighborhoods and be reported back in the next month. A discussion ensued. John Gibbon motioned to take a look at the format with a couple of meetings but not adopting the idea of giving up 50% of Public Safety meeting. Kim Herron seconded this motion. All voted except Jenna George who abstained.

Parks and Community Centers: Chair is Vacant (1:05:00) Chair is vacant and no report.

Land Use Committee, John Gibbon, Chair: (1:13:50) SWNI supported an appeal made by Multnomah Neighborhood Association to the Land Conservation and Development Commission in the manner the City adopted the residential infill process in the last Comprehensive plan. Additionally, Metro, the Bureau of Planning and the City of Portland; The City received a \$100,000 grant to study to increase densities within ½ mile of Barbur instead of the ¼ mile. Metro wants to increase density within ½ mile of light rail. It is a study only at this point. John gave no indication where this may lead.

Watershed Committee, John Gibbon, and Representative (1:05:00) John announced the Spring clean up being the 1st Saturday in May at the Portland Christian Center. Metro will no longer accept yard debris beginning this May. Only bulky waste, metal and recyclables. April 26th at 5 PM BES will have a meeting at the Multnomah Arts Center for projects they are working on and considering

Communications Committee: Kim Herron Representative: Kim did not attend the communications meeting therefore has no report to offer the neighborhood.

Unfinished Business:

(1:42:00) **Right of Way Encroachment at 30th and Wilbard.** The current homeowner did not build the current fence which encroaches into the city right of way, but possibly the former homeowner; regardless, the fence is well into the City of Portland Right-Of-Way. John stated that a number of Quail Park Association homeowners are “freaked” by the idea of a trail. He is not as bothered by this as he has seen something like this coming for quite a while. (1:54:41) John agrees the fence is clearly an encroachment by the property owner “no question about it” into the City right of Way. Mike Reuter, bikes to work and says Huber is his least favorite part of his ride. West Multnomah would also like to see the proposed trail go through as well then the Quail Park trail would go all the way through Quail Park. They would rather tear out the bridges and trail. John is not opposed to working on this. He is more than happy to work it.

(2:01) Eric motioned to table the discussion until the next meeting. John seconded it. All voted in favor. Zeta motioned to adjourn the meeting. John seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted: Kim Herron, Vice President & Secretary Pro-Tem