

**MARKHAM NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (MKNA)**  
**MEETING MINUTES for December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 - unapproved**

The December 12<sup>th</sup> MKNA meeting was called to order by President Donna Herron. Attendees included: Kim & Donna Herron, Amanda Garcia-Snell, John Gibbon, Eric Levake, Jeff Monaghan, Zahra Rahmani, Mike Rueter, Martha Couch, Chris Nguyen and Scott McClain. Online attendees: Pat Spangler, Jan Urbach, Jim & Katie Allen, Norah & Miriam Hajj, Nina & Stewart Gilgore (7:40)

**Agenda Approval:** John Gibbon moved, Kim Herron second. All present voted in favor. Motion passed (10:18).

**Meeting Minutes Approval:** November meeting minutes were not available for tonight's meeting (12:20).

**Presidents Report:** President Herron announced a women & children's domestic violence shelter is in our community. Over Thanksgiving, the community donated food, clothing, bedding and household items to assist their living situation. A Sign-Up Genius was posted listing the shelter needs. Donations have been outstanding. There is no new news on the Maricara Park and the fairy door situation. The PBOT\BES rain garden (19<sup>th</sup> Ave. between Taylors Ferry Rd. & Marigold St.) is behind schedule but nearing completion. The Urban Trail Permit application to establish a Safe Route to School (30<sup>th</sup> Ave. between Wilbard St. & Maricara St.) is progressing. Feasibility reports from the various bureaus have not been received yet (12:30).

**Unfinished Business:** Covered in the President Herron's above (24:00).

**Committee Reports:**

**Transportation Committee, Jeff Monaghan, Chair:** Nick Falbo from Portland Bureau of Transportation gave a presentation and explained what Southwest in Motion, (SWIM) does and they met with the Transportation Committee to prioritize projects in a 1- 5-year plan for street, pedestrian and bike improvements. An interactive mapping tool is planned for January but may be after January before being available (24:10).

**Schools Committee, Jeff Murray, Chair:** Jeff was absent; therefore, no schools report (30:07).

**Public Safety Committee: Phil Ford, Chair; Kim Herron reporting:** The next Public Safety Action Committee (PSAC) is January 4<sup>th</sup> at the Multnomah Arts Center from 6-7:30 PM. Feedback from the first PSAC from Portland Police command staff was generally good. The meet and greet portion of the meeting will be eliminated to allow more time for attendees' issues and concerns. Safety Issues at the intersection of SW Barbur Blvd. and 26<sup>th</sup> Ave. were discussed including planned pedestrian improvements that were cancelled due to the upcoming SW Corridor Plan. Mike Reuter, MKNA Co-Team Lead, reported the next NET exercise is January 13<sup>th</sup> and the next monthly meeting is tomorrow evening, December 13<sup>th</sup>. Donna also reported MKNA NET team has 3 new Ham radio operators in Eric Levake, Donna Herron and Kim Herron (30:14).

**Parks & Community Centers: Kitta Taylor, Chair:** Kitta was absent, therefore no report (43:23).

**Equity & Inclusion Committee: Patricia Spangler, Chair:** Patricia absent. Therefore, no report (43:41).

**Land Use Committee, John Baker, Chair:** John informed President Herron that he must resign (44:43).

**Treasury Report: Zahra Rahmani:** There is no change from the prior month bank balance with some deposits yet to be credited to the Neighborhood Treasury from the Bottle Drop account. John Gibbon also reported a greater number and type of returnable bottles will be accepted beginning in January 2018 which may be an opportunity for additional fund flows for MKNA. (45:12)

**Representative Reports:**

**Watershed, John Gibbon:** The City of Portland still has not figured out what the cost of improving streets and handling storm water, citing terrain in Southwest Portland as the primary complicating factor. The committee is also closely following Capital Highway Project. It has four basins on both sides of Capital Highway. Two of the basins will flow into waterways which transverse through MKNA (50:30).

**New Business:** A copy of the existing Bylaws was passed around and discussed. These were printed from the website. Proposed amendments include deletion of the Communications Committee Chairperson (as it is no longer a SWNI Standing Committee) and removal of the word “draft” from the copy. The other item of new business is to consider if MKNA wants host another Movie in the Park in the summer of 2018. There was also a preliminary discussion of the National Night Out and what or who would like to accept the planning for this event. (56:54)

**Meeting Adjournment:** John Gibbon motioned to adjourn. Kim Herron seconded. All present voted in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kim Herron, Secretary