

MARKHAM NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (MKNA)
MEETING MINUTES for February 14th, 2017 - unapproved

The February MKNA meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by President Donna Herron (16:07) as she wished all those attending Happy Valentine's Day. Ten people attended the meeting. All in attendance were introduced and welcomed. Donna stated the chat line was open for the duration of the meeting. Attendees included: Donna Herron, Kim Herron, Jenna George, Eric Levake, Amanda Garcia Snell, Jeff Monaghan and John Gibbon Zahra Rahmani, Susan Edwards, Rod Edwards. A quorum was established and verified. (16:50) The meeting agenda and meeting minutes were available on the MKNA website.

Agenda Approval: (18:05) motion by Eric Levake. Ananda Garcia Snell seconded. With no discussion raised, all voted in favor and the Agenda was approved unanimously.

Meeting Minutes Approval:

June 14, 2016 Meeting Minutes John Gibbon motioned to approve the minutes as written. Kim Herron seconded. Several misspellings were noted during discussion. All voted in favor except Amanda Garcia Snell who abstained. Minutes approved.

August 2, 2016 Meeting Minutes (23:10) Kim Herron motioned to approve. Jenna George seconded. Misspellings were noted with no other discussion. Motion passed with John Gibbon and Amanda Garcia Snell abstaining as they did not attend meeting. Motion passed and the Minutes approved.

September 13, 2016 Meeting Minutes (25:34) John Gibbon motioned to approve the minutes. Eric Levake seconded. Misspelling again noted. John Gibbon made corrections to some of the statistics regarding approved lots in Portland. John also corrected an error in the identification of the SW Corridor explanation. All voted in favor. Motion passed and the Minutes approved.

January 10, 2016 Meeting Minutes (29:21) The meeting was held entirely online as Jackson Middle School was closed. Kim Herron motioned to approve the minutes. John Gibbon seconded. There was no discussion. All voted in favor. Motion passed and the Minutes approved.

Treasury Report: (32:38) Donna summarized the MKNA financial report as Treasurer, Zahra Rahmani was not at the last meeting. The Bottle Drop program has \$115.65 to transfer to MNKA. The Fred Meyer Rewards program just sent \$80.61 to MNKA. She remarked the Fred Meyer Rewards program began a new year so we need to re-register our Rewards to be donated to MKNA to continue receiving donations to our account.

Committee Reports:

Transportation Committee, Jeff Monahan, Chair: (36:34) Jeff stated the Transportation Committee has not met since November so there is nothing to report from the Committee. The SW 19th and Taylors Ferry water garden project to due to begin in the March/April timeframe.

Schools Committee, Amanda Garcia Snell, Chair: (39:00) Amanda reported Schools committee had a presentation about Common Core, a model curriculum used for several years now in schools. The committee agreed for committee members will go out and meet with the 14 principals of the Portland schools and ask how the Schools Committee can support them and what they would like to see come from the committee. This will be used to incorporate into their strategic planning efforts.

Public Safety: Phil Ford, Chair, Kim & Donna Herron reporting: (40:45) Public Safety Committee meeting was held live online from the Herron's home because a winter snow storm made traveling to the Multnomah Arts Center potentially unsafe. An hour long chat line was open for anyone who wanted to chat or chime in with questions or concerns. The Committee will be covering Neighborhood

Watch with Jenni Pullen, the Crime Prevention Coordinator as well as Map your Neighborhood at the March 8th meeting. Vision Zero will also be discussed with paint the neighborhood orange as a theme to obtain signatures and signs for all 17 Southwest Portland Neighborhoods.

Parks and Community Centers: Chair Vacant: (44:03) Donna updated the attendees about the Fairy Door issue in Maracara Park. Donna spoke about a possible arrangement with the owners of the south side of the property. Until constructions begins, the owners are going to allow the fairy doors to be put on their property for the children to enjoy that activity, instead of inside the park boundary, which is an environmentally sensitive area. This hopefully will result in a win for all those concerned.

Land Use Committee, John Gibbon, Chair: (46:20) John reports the SWNI Land Use Committee has not met for 2 months due to weather. The committee was expecting a request from Multnomah NA and joining them in an appeal, with a letter regarding an objection to the city's residential infill plan, which was adopted as part of the Comprehensive Plan. The letter must be reviewed by Land Conservation & Development Commission (LCDC). The City has yet to adopt the necessary ordinances to the State, so the objection can't be submitted yet. (48:48) John received a call from a planner for the developer for the eighteen- unit subdivision south of Maracara Park. (49:30) The other land use item is for a house near 25th and Taylors Ferry which has an Alternative Dwelling Unit, (ADU) with a request for license to use the property as an Air BNB dwelling. John stated a permit or license is needed because it is a separate unit. No license or permit is needed if you just use your home as an Air BNB.

Watershed Committee, John Gibbon, and Representative: (52:00) The committee met February 20th and talked about having residents report water problems around and within their homes to get a handle on where it works and where it does not. Also discussed was available money from the West Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District to pay for additional watershed uses like revegetation to slow or stop erosion.

Communications Committee: Kim Herron Representative: Kim did not attend. No report.

Unfinished Business:

2017 Movies in the Park Event: (1:04:45) The application was accepted by Portland Parks and Recreation. The dates offered were July 6th and July 9th. Eric Levake motioned to accept the July 9th date. John Gibbon seconded. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

United Methodist Property: (1:11:00) Donna spoke with the Habitat for Humanity representative today. The sale went through and the church needed boarded up due to vandalism and the possibility of squatters. A cottage cluster of 10-12 homes is planned.

SWNI Bylaws: (1:22:45) Discussion about elimination of the Standing Committee Chairs form SWNI Board voting, due to dilution of the neighborhood votes. John spoke about "committee creep". He also said SWNI is funded by the City of Portland, and not be neighborhood donations. (1:31:00) John made a motion to exclude the 8 SWNI Chair positions from SWNI board votes. Kim Herron seconded. The motion was approved with unanimous vote.

Motion to Adjourn: by Kim Herron. (1:34:19) Jenna George seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Herron, Vice President & Secretary Pro-Tem