

MARKHAM NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (MKNA)

MEETING MINUTES for March 12th, 2019

The March 12th, 2019 MKNA meeting was called to order by President Kim Herron. Attendees are: Kim & Donna Herron, John Gibbon, Eric Levake, Jeff Murray, Morgan Dant, Zahra Rahmani, Scott McClain, Jeff Monaghan & Peter Schubert.

Agenda Approval: After introductions, John Gibbon motioned to accept the March 12th Meeting Agenda. Jeff Murray seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Meeting Minutes Approval: Eric Levake motioned to accept the February 12, 2019 Meeting Minutes as written. John Gibbon seconded. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Treasury Report: The detailed Treasury report is available for viewing on the MKNA website. What is not reflected in the Treasury report is the account balance in the Bottle Drop account. That amount is \$204.72. Funds can be transferred in amounts of \$100.00 or more.

Committee Reports:

Transportation Committee, John Gibbon, Chair: SWNI Transportation committee is in favor of a project larger than what PBOT has proposed with just a sidewalk and a bike lane on one side of SW 26th Avenue. The committee is in favor of larger biking activity with bike lanes on both sides of SW 26th Avenue. Biking uphill is a big issue for bicyclists which means a bike lane on both the east and west side of SW 26th. The route for the SW Corridor plan that passes by SW Capital Highway and SW Barbur Blvd John believes has been made, but John can't confirm as he was ill and did not attend the Tri-Met SW Corridor steering committee meeting. On a separate topic, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) wants to eliminate left hand turns from SW Capital Highway to Barbur Blvd and onto southbound Interstate 5. ODOT favors routing traffic clockwise around the triangular piece of land where Barbur Foods and the Barbur Liquor store are. ODOT is not considering left turns signals at the Crossroads intersection. The elimination of the left-hand turns may happen as soon as 2021. Considerable opposition exists from affected Neighborhood Associations and the SWNI Transportation Committee but ODOT will do what they want to do.

Schools Committee, Jeff Murray, Chair: Jeff has no report this month. Scott McClain, resident of MKNA announced the Chair, Maripat Hensel, is moving away and the Committee is seeking a new chair. Scott also said about 7 of the 17 SW neighborhoods are regularly represented, so a new leader and outreach is being sought for this committee.

Public Safety, (vacant): No report.

Neighborhood Emergency Teams, (NET), Donna Herron, NET Co-Team Lead: Donna Herron, NET Co-Team Lead announced the monthly meeting is tomorrow at Fire station #18 at 7 PM and welcomed all to attend. Eric Levake and Kim Herron will demonstrate first-aid procedures from the Wilderness First-Aid class they completed with certification.

Parks & Community Centers, Kitta Taylor, Chair: Kitta was absent and no report was given.

Equity & Inclusion Committee, Zeta Burton, Chair: Zeta Burton was absent. No report was given.

Land Use Committee, Jeff Monaghan, Chair: The Land use information overlapped with the information given by John in Transportation report so Jeff answered questions related to Land Use issues.

Representative Report:

Watershed Committee: John Gibbon reporting: John handed out a summary of the Watershed Committee report as he was "running out of gas." He reported the committee had a long discussion on maps and what the Bureau of Environmental Services (BES) provides and what committee members want.

Unfinished Business: President Herron updated what he knew about the Safe Route to School (SR2S) trail application pending with the City of Portland's Bureau of Transportation, Urban Trails Permit (UTP) office. Residents adjacent and within 400 feet of the trail were mailed a letter from UTP that did not contain MKNA's map, photographs and information related to the proposed trail MKNA requested be included in it. A portion of the letter was to be returned with the resident's vote, for or against the SR2S trail application, by March 5th, 2019. As of our meeting date today, 7 days past the voting deadline, no report, letter, email or voicemail was received yet from UTP although multiple requests were made to obtain at least a verbal result.

The application for the Summer Movie in the Park was not accepted by Portland Parks and Recreation, (PP&R) citing budget cuts as their reason. PP&R also cited an emphasis on neighborhoods that are more underserved and more ethnically diverse than MKNA.

Eric Levake made a motion to adjourn meeting. Morgan Dant seconded. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted, Donna Herron, Secretary & Past President