

## MARKHAM NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (MKNA) MEETING MINUTES for June 14th, 2016 - unapproved

(2:17) The June MKNA meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Donna Herron, President. The meeting was held in the Multnomah Arts Center Room 7 as the regular meeting, held at Jackson Middle School's library was closed for the summer. Twenty-four people signed in at this meeting: Donna Herron, Kim Herron, John Baker, Jeff Monaghan, Jenna George, Mirza Lugman, Diane Ford, Phil Ford, Will Fuller, Michael Murphy, Eric Levake, John Gibbon, Zeta Burton, Dennis Freiburg, Nancy Murray, Bob Wise, Nancy Wise, Jim Gorter, Tina Isaacson, Rich Ward, Kathy Jaynes, Yunis Paisner, Imtraz Khau, Ken Doxtader and Trevor Stephson.

(6:01) President Herron announced the meeting was being broadcast live via You Tube. No one objected to the meeting being recorded. John Baker moved and John Gibbon seconded to accept the agenda as written. The June agenda was accepted with one abstention. (9:02) John Baker then moved and Eric Levake seconded the approval of the minutes as written by Secretary Pro-Tem Kim Herron. The vote to accept minutes was passed with 2 abstentions. The names stated were not audible.

**Guest Speaker: Jim Gorter (RIPSAC)** (12:15) Jim Gorter is the SWNI representative of the Residential Infill Project Stakeholder Advisory Committee, (RIPSAC) was the guest speaker. He explained what the advisory committee is tasked to do with regard to the City's proposed plans for residential infill. The general message was about the size of houses allowed in residential neighborhoods. Both the size of the house footprint and height of the structure are changing.

(16:28) Middle housing is also under discussion and Jim went on to give an explanation as he understood the term. (19:31) Consequences, in Jim's option, is increased density everywhere across the city. He does not know what affordability will be affected. He feels one will see fewer demolitions in the more expensive areas and more demolitions in those community neighborhoods with less expensive smaller homes. It will not be concentrated in any one area of the city. (21:52) An extensive question and answer session followed the presentation.

**Treasurer Report:** (38:16) Zahra Rahmani was unable to attend. Donna reviewed the MNKA balances and answered questions regarding the various programs like Bottle Drop and Fred Meyer rewards. She said all those who have participated need to "re-up" their preferred charity as the program resets at the beginning of June.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Schools Committee, Amanda Garcia-Snell, Chair:** (40:01) Amanda was absent. Will Fuller, outgoing SWNI Schools Chair, reported. Will discussed boundary changes taking effect but the good news is Markham is not affected. More detailed information can be found at [www.swni.org/schools](http://www.swni.org/schools). Will reviewed many nearby boundary changes. He also discussed the lead paint and lead in the water issues the school district is working on. Common Core as an educational format is discussed as well.

**Transportation Committee, Jeff Monahan, Chair:** (50:10) Jeff attended a workshop for high capacity rapid transit. The two options are along Barbur or along Interstate 5. The pros and cons of each were explained and discussed. Jeff also gave some opinion and insight on proposed bike lanes and pedestrian crossings. He welcomes comments from the neighborhood.

**Land Use Committee, John Gibbon, Chair:** (1:02:01) John summarized the issues revolving around light rail, the federal money that should "rain down" to 26<sup>th</sup> avenue. John said there are 20 or so projects that parallel the high capacity transit and that 26<sup>th</sup> avenue should be in bucket 1, (items running parallel to 26<sup>th</sup> avenue) and not in bucket 2, which do not run perpendicular to 26<sup>th</sup>. John also reported on a land use lot division along the high side of Lancaster avenue, which is MKNA's border.

**Parks and Community Centers: Michael Murphy, Chair:** (1:17:48) Michael reported he was still trying to figure out what the Parks' objective is and to generate an action plan which will give this committee something to work towards. He reviewed some of the action plan items and objectives.

**Public Safety: Phil Ford (also NET certified team member):** (1:22:15) Ernie Jones, BEECN manager for Portland Bureau of Emergency Management, (PBEM) spoke at the Public Safety meeting and reviewed the BEECN sites and Phil covered what is stashed in the BEECN sites. There are 32 BEECN's deployed but 16 sites still are without BEECN equipment. Phil described where to find the video to explain this is on PBEM's website.

The Public Safety Committee Safety Fair is this Saturday at the Multnomah Arts Center main gymnasium. NET will have an information table to promote NET. MKNA and SWNI Public Safety Committee will have a table to raffle items at their co-hosted Movie in the Park at Jackson Middle School in July. Markham is rebuilding its' own NET team and Phil reviewed when and where the meetings are held. Kim & Donna Herron hosted a neighborhood watch training in their home. More Neighborhood watches are needed and Donna is now a trainer for Neighborhood Watch in MKNA Indian Hills area.

**Unfinished Business:** (01:41) the MKNA secretary position is still temporarily being filled by Kim Herron. Kim would gladly train a new person for taking the minutes.

Kim made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Zeta Burton. Meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted by Kim Herron