

MARKHAM NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (MKNA)
MEETING MINUTES for January 9th, 2018 - unapproved

The January 9th MKNA meeting was called to order by President, Donna Herron. Attendees included: Kim & Donna Herron, John Gibbon, Eric Levake, Jeff Monaghan, Zahra Rahmani, Zetta Burton, Jeff Murray, Pat Spangler, Shannon Hullenhub and Roger Lennox. Online attendees: Jan Urbach, Jim & Katie Allen, Norah & Miriam Hajj, Nina & Stewart Gilgore. (7:05)

Agenda Approval: John Gibbon moved to accept the agenda. Pat Spangler seconded. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Meeting Minutes Approval: John Gibbon Motioned to approve November and December meeting minutes. Secretary Kim Herron mentioned a lack of a quorum existed but asked John Gibbon to review MKNA Bylaws. John Gibbon then motioned to table approval of minutes and agenda until he could review the Bylaws. Kim Herron seconded. All those voted in favor. Motion tabled. Later, John returned to this motion with clarification although President Herron would not be voting, her presence counted toward the quorum so enough were in attendance for a quorum to vote to approve the November and December meeting minutes. All those in attendance voted in favor. Motion passed.

Guest Speakers: Robert Lennox and Shannon Hiller-Webb, South Burlingame Neighborhood Association:

Robert gave an update and overview of the status of the Macadam Ridge Development application. He reported South Burlingame's Neighborhood Association, (SBNA) opposition to the Macadam Ridge application. He asked MKNA to support them with a letter of opposition to the proposed development, citing, among others issues, concerns ranging from traffic safety along Taylors Ferry Road to watershed and environmental issues. Kim Herron motioned to support SBNA with a letter of the land use concerns. Six voted in favor with 1 abstention. Motion passed. John Gibbon, President of Southwest Neighborhoods Inc. (SWNI), volunteered to write the letter. (17:30)

Presidents Report: President Herron reported on the Urban Trails Permit (UTP) related to the Safe Route to School along 30th Avenue between Wilbard and Maricara Streets. The City has requested additional information regarding ownership of the pipes near the North entrance at 30th Avenue and Wilbard Street. The width of the proposed walkway remains at or less than 30" and clarifications regarding the location and placement of Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) grindings and "clean gravel" were discussed. (24:30)

Committee Reports:

Transportation Committee, Jeff Monaghan, Chair: There was no report offered as Jeff did not attend.

Schools Committee, Jeff Murray, Chair: Jeff was absent for the schools SWNI Schools Committee meeting. However, he reported the committee was applying for a small grant for books and computers for schools that need them.

Public Safety: Phil Ford, Chair, Kim Herron reporting: A January 13th Advanced NET exercise at the Sears Armory will be a late afternoon/evening exercise. Initial sign up for local NET teams, (those working with PFB Station 18) and a sign-up genius is available for sign-up. (40:53)

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

Equity & Inclusion Committee: Patricia Spangler, Chair, John Gibbon reporting: John reported the "canoe people." asked SWNI for a vote in favor of asking the City of Portland for parking pass waivers in Willamette Park so when they practice paddling the ceremonial canoe, they would not have the expense of paying for parking. John reported SWNI voted in favor and will be submitting a letter to the City. (44:32)

Land Use Committee, Chair is vacant: There was no report.

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.

Representative Reports:

Watershed, John Gibbon: John's report was largely not audible. A US Fish and Wildlife study reported fish habitat for within the Tryon Creek watershed is better than streams outside the greater Portland area. (49:31)

New Business: Eric Levake summarized the amendments to MKNA's Bylaws. The elimination of the Communications Committee from MKNA's Bylaws is necessitated by SWNI's removal of this committee from their bylaws. This was not the 1st reading, but a review and discussion of the proposed changes with an expected 1st reading during the February MKNA meeting and vote in the month to follow. (53:15)

Meeting Adjournment: Eric Levake motioned to adjourn. Kim Herron seconded. All present voted in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted, Kim Herron, Secretary