

**Attending:** Tom, Bridget, Susan, Gayle, Dan

**Guests:** Summar Money, NPNS Staff

**6:30 Meeting start**

Land recognition - *We acknowledge and thank the indigenous peoples on the Columbia River, who were the first residents and stewards of this area. We celebrate our diverse neighborhood of residents and businesses, and we value diverse voices that strengthen our resilient and connected community.*

Introductions

**VOTE** - Board meeting minutes approval – 8/08/23

**6:45 Committee Reports**

**Land Use & Transportation** Team – Walter will be committee chair. Meetings are now on the first Tues. each month, 6:30-7:30pm, in the N. Portland Marriott Board room. Walter proposes (Tom reports) that we use this meeting to discuss the development of the N. Portland Waterfront. The monthly meeting can be used to invite reps from surrounding neighborhoods (HiNoon, ECNA & Kenton, etc.) as well as project managers and government liaisons from PBOT, ODOT, IBR and USACE. Next meeting: Oct 3, invite Greg Johnson, IBR Project Manager re. BNA proposals.

Increase stormwater & sewer fees. Push back from the floating home community because the impression is that there is little service provided for these extra fees. BES contracted a [rate study](#) that says basically found our pollution runoff needs to be addressed requiring more money from the greater Ptld community. WOOO is a good group to manage this argument with the city. BES is presenting an [alignment proposal](#) to City Council on Oct 18. Aaron Abrams, Community Outreach Program Manager, sent info on what BES does for the Columbia River ([FAQ link](#)), incl the [Columbia Boulevard Wastewater Treatment Plant](#).

BNA supports WOOO in their efforts to create a fair & reasonable solution.

We applied IBR Grant to have events and meetings that share info about the IBR. We will include info in our newsletter, website and partner with HiNoon & ECNA for an event to engage with IBR.

The BNA sent a letter in support of the Frog Ferry to Portland commissioners & Mayor.

**NPNS – Summar Money**

Grant monies available now - \$3k – \$5K to establish programs for emergency preparedness specifically for underrepresented communities for BIPOC, elderly, youth or people of color.

NPNS Inc. has received their tax-exempt status (501c3). They are working on D&O insurance now, liability in the spring. Bridget is on this new board along with 3 others from surrounding NAs and CBOs.

New district coalitions will likely be tied to the new voting districts. Possibly NECN & NPNS will merge.

**Events** – Susan will be storing BNA event inventory: 3 tents, 3 tables, and 3 bins. Terry Glenn, property manager for Columbia Way West (CWW), offered an annual discount (\$300) for a small storage shed. Susan wanted a small storage area anyway and all items will fit. BNA will write a letter of receipt for \$300 for the \$300 in-kind donation from CWW. Moving day - Sat 11:30am.

Summer Picnic Recap – Pre-organizing really helped make the picnic a huge success. Over 100 neighbors attended. 15 raffle items were given away. Many people stayed and helped clean up in record time.

BNA Fall General Meeting: Oct. 17

Agenda:

New Levee presentation? Last meeting was Feb 2022 with USACE. Who is current director?  
(Bridget will ask Aster)

Sunderland Safe Park Village – New director (Tom)

Crime & Safety – Ann N. Portland Problem Solvers Group, PEMO (Bridget)

Elections

SMILE Boat Parade on N. Portland Waterfront was great. 12 motor boats, 12 paddlers & about 4 dinghys participated. It was difficult to stay together (motor & paddlers) past I-5 bridge as route headed up stream. Next year, downriver route, possibly starting at PYC or Eastern tip of Tomahawk Island.

**VOTE** - BNA to be a sponsor next year by listing as an event. It will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sat in Aug.

### **Safety**

Sunderland Safe Parking Village – opened late July (now open 7 weeks). They admit residents 5/week, capacity is 55. Managed by Salvation Army Director – Christy. Case workers and supporters are there to help people transition to more permanent housing. They help people connect to behavioral health councilors or therapists outside the village for long-term help. Salvation Army managers have no control “outside the fence.” City’s policy is to keep Sunderland Rd. free of camping but not 33<sup>rd</sup> Ave.

BNA, ECNA & an ad hoc group of interested people incl. Tom and Gary Kunz, ECNA will meet monthly.

### **Clean & Green Team**

The boat at the triangle entry on Gantenbein was vandalized. Craig Shaw refilled the boat with existing dirt. The boat requires replanting and more good mulch (about \$200). We are asking Lowe’s to match our purchase so we can add mulch to existing plants all over the triangle. We are already over budget for the triangle because our landscaper increased rates in May. There is enough in our Mitigation Fund to accommodate increased costs.

Cascadia Action/[Portland Clean Air report](#) shows airborne diesel particulate this winter on both sides of I-5 in the Bridgeton neighborhood in NE Portland. As we got near I-5, airborne nanoparticles .01 - .5 microns in diameter tripled. We understand this is caused by diesel particulate and up to 10% brake dust.

### **Announcements**

Community Clubhouse – Board members are talking with property owner of old Channels Edge property about possibly starting up a clubhouse there.

Clemens Marine – The realtor reported that someone has purchased the property (when did it close?). Owner is listed as MEEKER FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP on Portland Maps.

**8:25 PM Meeting end**