



**BRIDGETON**  
**BNA Board Meeting Minutes – APPROVED**  
April 09, 2024

**On Zoom:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88036745184?pwd=VUIFQXU0UzVvZE9Jc2d1RXRjUHIBQT09>  
**Meeting ID:** 880 3674 5184, **Passcode:** Neighbors

**Attendance** (on Zoom): Walter, Susan, Gayle, Bridget, Katy, Dan, Mike, Clare, Barbara

6:30 Introductions

**VOTE:** Board meeting minutes from March 12 - moved, seconded – approved

6:40 **Land Use - Walter**

The IBR team has delayed the release of their Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) again and we don't know why. Project managers are not saying. Both Walter & Tom Hickey participate on committees get evasive answers to questions.

Levee – First, a high-level study cost/benefit analysis determined the most cost effect ways to ensure safety was to raise the levee, and Bridgeton Rd, 1.5' to 3'. Fed legislature approved further project work. Now, a new study is being compiled with details of how individual property owners are affected (access, entrances, driveways, and how roads intersect.

Community requests has PBOT considering a preliminary study to determine how/if its possible to bury power lines (need contact with PP&L) and what that cost will be. Migrating birds could be damaged with the increased raised levee height and lines.

This design study could possibly be done by Sept. Proposed costs will require Fed approval.

There is a bond measure on the ballot by MCDD this May for the existence and funding estimated to be \$200-300 million to do the whole area improvements.

Both IBR & Levee will be presenting at our Spring meeting.

**[VOTE:** For the record, our Board approved, with an email vote, and we signed the attached \*ballot statement of support} - Colin Rowan, staff for MCDD and an advocate for regional flood safety, asked the BNA to sign on to a statement in the Voters Pamphlet supporting the Bond Measure that will spread costs for ensuring flood safety for in the new regional flood safety district.

**\*[We All Benefit From Our Flood Protection System. VOTE YES ON 26-243**

Many of us enjoy the beauty of the Columbia River without realizing the important work happening to keep us safe. The reality is a system of flood-control infrastructure protects our region from devastating floods. The bad news is that the system is over 100 years old and does not meet federal standards implemented after Hurricane Katrina.

While you may not live in the floodplain, the truth is we all benefit from flood protection because items we all depend on are located in the floodplain. This area includes infrastructure that you and I rely on every day, and that we would especially need in the case of a disaster like a major flood.

**Risks to the Portland International Airport**

The PDX Airport transports 16+ million passengers annually, including tens of thousands of tourists who interact with many sectors of our economy while in Portland, as well as transporting goods. Additionally, the Airport serves as an economic hub on its own, employing 10,000 people and housing more than 80 businesses.

In the event of major flooding, effective operation of the airport and the ability to move people and goods would be impacted. Critical infrastructure that we would rely on for effective response in the event of a disaster like a major flood, is at risk. Our ability to move people and supplies could be compromised, worsening the impacts of any extreme weather event on our region.

#### **Other Infrastructure at Risk**

- 2nd largest source of drinking water in Oregon
- The I-5, I-205, and I-84 freeways
- Railways for freight
- Major distribution centers for clothing and household goods
- 50% of the region's manufacturing and warehouse jobs

The truth is regardless of where you live in our region, the infrastructure along the Columbia River is critical to daily life. Vote YES on Measure 26-243: an affordable option to upgrade this infrastructure and prevent major floods.]

#### **7:00 Events - Susan**

Spring General Meeting – Thursday, April 25

Agenda – IBR & Levee presenter Mark Wilcox & Aster

Volunteers: Susan, Cyn, Karen, Mike – Check in, nametags, parking gate

A/V - Walter

Spring Clean Up – Thurs. April 25

Contractors secured. Gayle to start volunteer search (last year's list?)

Promos – Barbara will help flyers printed (tmrw?), Deliveries to go out this weekend: Gayle, Mike, Barbara, TaNeshia? Judie? Laura?

Susan getting signs updated Wed afternoon (Mike & Dan, after 2pm).

Locations:

1. Channel's Edge – (Linda Burrigh, Site Super) – Ivy Pull & Litter gang meet here
2. NE 1st – (Katy, Site Super) Shredding & Habitat for Humanity trucks

#### **2024 Calendar of events**

April 25 - Spring General Meeting (Normally, try for 4<sup>th</sup> Tues in April)

May 4 – PYC Opening Day – get on the river and watch boats!

June 20 (last Sat in June) - Bridgeton Neighborhood Street Sale

Aug 10 (2nd Sat in Aug) – Summer Picnic

Boat Parade – last weekend in August

Oct 15 (3rd Tues in Oct) – Fall General Meeting

Plant Share report - Katy

25 people, 12 people signed up for the Newsletter. Perennial share will be scheduled in the Fall, possibly late October.

In Roth Estates – a big focus on planting in their shared growing areas, adding native plants and bulbs, possibly Oct 19.

**7:20 Finance** – extra \$250 available from NPNS for Communications and event expenses. Matt has submitted receipts for \$750 already. Our request for remaining \$250 is in, receipts shared on Matt's return.

Barbara & Matt will keep trying to get the \$800+ from Calendar sales online through the website. Stripe funds never made it into BNA acct (or possibly they did?)

#### **7:30 Safety**

Recently there has been a spate of vehicles being towed and dropped along N. Harbour Drive. Teri L. has video and has been sending in reports plus calling re. abandoned autos. \*Report after the meeting: PEMO reports helped remove long-standing old cars since the meeting. Theft and car vandalism still a problem. There are 30 min and 2 hour parking signs on some of the area on Anchor Way and Harbour Dr. but no parking enforcement takes place here.

Solid waste reports – [pemo@portlandoregon.gov](mailto:pemo@portlandoregon.gov)

Who is collecting dog waste in the Park? It is not getting emptied enough and after the soccer games it overflows with garbage. Try to remove the pail.

7:50 PM Meeting ends