BRIDGETON

Bridgeton Board Meeting
APPROVED Minutes
March 10, 2026 | 6:30 – 8:30pm

Via Zoom and in person at Clare's

6:40 **Attendance:** Bridget Bayer, Clare Baxter, Dan Nehler, Gayle Miller, Jerry Duckett, Katy Ailstock, Karen Waggoner

6:42 **Approval of Minutes** from February (Matt – motion; Katy – second)
Approved as presented.

6:43 **Discussions:**

- **Montavilla Neighborhood Association Meeting Updates**
  Bridget shared her experience from the Montavilla Neighborhood Association meeting, where she presented about the 82nd Avenue Rose Parade and observed that every board member reported on their activity or community engagement.
- **NECN Relationship Discussion Summary**
  The board discussed their relationship with NECN. The group agreed not to consider forming a nonprofit of our own at this time but tabled further discussion until Susan returns, as she is our Board representative for NECN matters and has more information about participation benefits and liabilities.
- **Roth Park Blackberry Removal Update**
  The group discussed the successful removal of blackberries at Roth Park, with Katy reporting that the next event will take place on April 4th from 9:30 to 12:00.
- **Portland Environmental Overlay Zone Vote**
  The group discussed an upcoming vote on expanding Portland's environmental overlay zone, which requires permits for development near waterways. Bridget explained that while the process isn't preventing development, it requires applications and fees, which has raised concerns among businesses and residents. Katy and Matt expressed concerns about the potential impact on small property owners, particularly regarding gardening and maintenance near waterways. The group agreed that someone should attend tomorrow's meeting to ask about the minimum exceptions for small-scale activities and residential ADU installations.

7:02 **Committee Reports**

- **Spring General Meeting (April 21) Event Planning**
  The group discussed plans for an upcoming event at PYC on April 21st, including security arrangements and food options. Dan confirmed they would handle their own security to save $100, and suggested encouraging attendees to arrive early for dinner. Tables: IBR & Flood Safety confirmed (Bridget), BNA Committee Tables confirmed (Dan): Land Use - Walter (join

tables or separate). Portland Food Project + Adopt One Block – Katy & Julia; Clean Green Team/Communications - Bridget & Laura; Events – Susan and Karen. Dan to confirm details with Shameer Kanal re: presentation. Check-in - Gayle & Jerry. Walter - Slideshow

- **Plant Share – April 25**
  West end on Anchor Way in Harbor Sky courtyard. (same as last year). Katy encouraged others to prepare their plants. Will promote in newsletter and Clare flyers/poster.

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- **Annual Cleanup Planning Meeting - *New updates**
  *Now scheduled for May 9th, with Gayle agreeing to work with Susan on the event. They also talked about setting up signs at event, Clare planning to price out equipment for printing and laminating 11x17 signs. Since former Channel's Edge parking lot is not available, look into use of PPS site. *Confirmed everything in large parking area across from Susan's 154 NE Bridgeton Rd. (parking lot use confirmed by Osprey & Elevated Tides).
- **Clean Green Team - "Adopt a Block" Idea**
  Explored the idea of organizing an "Adopt the Block Brigade" for neighborhood cleanup, though Dan suggested changing the name to better reflect the collaborative nature of the effort. Perhaps set a schedule for these. Check with Julia and Laura who already do so much clean-up.
- **Safety Updates**
  The meeting covered safety updates, including a green tag placed on a vehicle at the park and a city inspection of Swag'r Buck's barbecue rig with concerns about the food vendor operating from a parking lot. Owner has rented the parking lot and operates as a mobile caterer rather than a food cart. While some neighbors support the vendor, others have complaints about late-night noise, and unsightly storage of equipment. Also, concerns about portable toilet and pedestrian safety.

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- **Finance**
  The board addressed Matt's 25-year tenure as treasurer, with agreement to place an ad in the newsletter to find a successor in addition to finding a new web master. Matt announced his intention to step down from the treasurer's role. Checking acct balance is $17,000.
  Budget Discussion and Approval VOTE; motion to approve by Gayle, Dan - second
  The board approved the 2026 annual budget, which projects a net surplus of $3,000.

- **BEECN (Basic Earthquake Emergency Communication Node)**
  BEECN is merging into the Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET). Our BNA annual meeting needs to be scheduled soon.

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- **Announcements**
  Soup night hosted by Randy and Michelle Tilley (was March 27)
  Volunteers needed for Smile Parade (August 28)
  Looking for graphic designer for street painting; need treasurer and web manager.

8:00 **Adjourn**