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Bridgeton Board Meeting

BNA Meeting APPROVED Minutes
November 12, 2024 | 6:30 – 8:30pm

Meeting in person at The Mews, 905 N Harbour Drive or via Zoom.

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88036745184?pwd=VUlFQXU0UzVvZE9Jc2d1RXRjUHlBQT09
Meeting ID: 880 3674 5184
Passcode: Neighbors

6:40 *Land recognition - We are grateful to the original caretakers of this land who were displaced by white colonizers.*

In attendance: Matt, Dan, Walter, Susan, Cyn, Bill, Bridget, Barbara, Gayle, Clare, Linda, Karen
Guest (Mews host): Craig Lee, Chairman of The Mews owner's association

VOTE: 1st – Susan, 2nd – Gayle. Board meeting minutes of October 8 approved.

Agenda additions:
- IBR Feedback. Comments due November 18, 2024
- Kenton Firehouse letter of concern re: building for sale
- November Citizens Noise Advisory Committee

6:53 Discussions:
2025 Planning - Bridget
- Draft/proposed calendar: review of dates and any changes/updates to contact list. BOD meetings monthly – second Tuesday, Green Team – second Thursday, Land Use – as needed

7:06 Officer Elections: Bridget – Chair, Susan – Vice Chair, Matt – Treasurer, Karen – Secretary
- The team agreed to these roles, with Bridget emphasizing the importance of sharing responsibilities and allowing new members to learn and grow in their roles.

7:15 Liaison Reports:

- District 2/NECN – Susan
  - Susan reported on the recent elections for NECN director and officers at large, with Tom Karwaki and Anjala Ehelebe elected as co-chairs. At-large representatives also elected per website (https://www.necoalition.org/board) are Shirley Minor (Woodlawn), Sean Green (Sabin), Rosie Willis (King), Dr Cynthia Fowler (King). Two vacant positions.
  - Bridgeton Representative is Susan Johnston-Wright and from East Columbia Gary Kunz.
  - Communications Grant submitted by Bridget required 49 pages of information.
  - NECN Staff is not responsive to emails.

- Western Half – ECO blocks placed on Harbor Sky property; interest in pedestrian light to cross street Marine Drive at Anchor.

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7:34 Committee Reports

- Land Use/Transportation – Walter. Reviewed deadline (November 18) and draft letters to submit public comments re: IBR SEIS.
  - Discussed the proposed changes to the IBR project, including the relocation of the multi-use path parallel to the light rail line. He highlighted the potential benefits of this change, such as improved connectivity and quieter routes. Walter mentioned the need for additional study on this proposal and the potential for increased protection for bike lanes.
  - The team also reviewed the proposed changes to the Marine Drive interchange, including the potential for an undercrossing and the need for improved bike facilities.
  - IBR meets every Wednesday via Zoom; must be invited
  - Preliminary update on underground utilities with levee rebuild and how financed (city bond) as part of revised Local Improvement District which needs approval of electorate per Matt.
  - Existing exemption for side streets to be narrower than 32' standard with sidewalks. West end already agreed to LID. Underground power lines for main truck and to first pole for floating homes likely with overhead lines on side streets.
  - Levee and 40-mile Loop – PEN2 was financially responsible and has a surplus. Eric supporting funds to be used for other improvements in zone. Comments on IBR from 40-mile Loop Land Trust: https://40mileloop.org/ibr-draft-supplemental-eis-comments-are-due-11-18/
  - Bridgeton Trail now in METRO picture. More information at: https://www.oregonmetro.gov/sites/default/files/2024/09/18/Bridgeton-Promenade.pdf
  - Interest in pursuing two new pedestrian crossing lights – Anchor Way and by school
  - PYC overhead lighting not compatible with Dark Sky Initiative – per Cyn

8:09 Kenton Fire Station – Bridget:

- **VOTE:** 1st – Bridget, 2nd – Susan. Approved motion to submit letter from BNA against the sale of the fire house. Substantial donated dollars used to made improvements.
- Bridget to send the approved letter regarding the Kenton Firehouse to city commissioners, mayors, and city manager.

8:18 Events – Susan – Holiday Party

- December 10 at the Portland Yacht Club per October BOD vote
- Concerns about the financial feasibility of hosting a holiday party, suggesting that it might not be necessary given the low turnout in previous years.
- Discussed PYC proposal for rental and food; Dan to contact Rachel at PYC regarding security costs and potential discounts for the holiday party.
- Upon receipt of new information regarding cost and alternatives for food (dessert only, outside commercially prepared food), Susan distributed a survey post-BOD meeting to revaluate. The majority of the BOD is in favor of doing a holiday party.

- Donations have been secured to help defray costs and band is not charging a fee.
- It's a go!
- MEWS offered their pool area for a Spring Gathering perhaps after the Spring Clean-Up.

- Clean & Green Team – Bridget
  - Bridget discussed the Blue Bag program and the focus on air quality, particularly with the two oil re-refineries and the adoption of one block initiative for neighborhood clean-up.
  - Matt raised a question about Ivan's absence for November to January for triangle landscaping. Standard procedure.
  - Shelly planted two new trees in Roth park. Bridget discussed the potential for additional tree planting in the park and the need for better care of existing trees.

8:30 Finance – Matt
- Add Barbara to checking account.
- Matt to create a budget for BNA to be discussed in January.
- **VOTE:** Approved by BOD. Matt to send a $100 check to support the St. John's Food Share fundraiser

- Safety BEECN 10 group looking for new lead. Proposed meeting November 23. Additional volunteers sought. Background check needed.

- Oregon Air National Guard's presentation at the November Citizens Noise Advisory Committee meeting Thursday, November 14 in HQ, Anchor Room 5:30-8:00 pm. Discussion re: traffic pattern over homes.

8:36 Adjourn

Addendum to Clean & Green Report via Email – Bridget

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced 55 selected applications for nearly $3 billion in Clean Ports Program grants funded through the Inflation Reduction Act. The selected applications will fund zero-emission port equipment and infrastructure as well as climate and air quality planning at U.S. ports located in 27 states and territories. See more information at: https://www.epa.gov/ports-initiative/clean-ports-program-selections

Port of Portland Primary Port Location: Port of Portland	• Emissions inventory including alternative energy/fuels analysis • Emissions reductions strategy analysis including future emissions projections • Community engagement and creation of workforce impact analysis • Update port resilience plan to include applications of ZE technology to increase resilience	$2,772,684