

# University Park Neighborhood Association

## General Meeting Minutes

Date: October 23, 2006

Start Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Portsmouth Lutheran

### **1. Introductions of the Board**

### **2. Police Report (by Todd Christenson)**

- a. Submitted crime report map (see attached).
- b. Gave information on upcoming Workshop: Community Policing Strategic Plan (see attached).
- c. Upcoming Chief's Forum Awards, and nominations are due 11/13/06 (see attached).
- d. www.portlandonline/northportland is web site dedicated to the local area to assist communications with the police.
- e. Majority of recent larcenies have been bike theft. Make sure that your serial numbers are recorded.
- f. Be aware of the recent rise in theft of scrap metal such as stainless steel, and copper.
- g. Portsmouth Club is reopening soon.
- h. Neighborhood comments:
  - i. There have been problems on Willamette of hit and runs. Have seen several accidents around area of Portsmouth and Willamette. Havola Ferchweiller 823.4209 is a good resource, or 823.INFO to get a good resource.
  - ii. Haven and Willamette is a danger due to the cars parking on both sides.
- i. This may be the last meeting for Officer Christenson due to promotion.

### **3. Committee/Chair Reports**

- a. Chair Update (by Fletcher Trippe): Chairs Meeting-Main topic was newsletters, and how to get them out efficiently.
  - i. Islands are going to go in at Denver, and at the turn of Portland & Willamette.
  - ii. Spring Clean up: Looking for a bigger location, and alternate materials such as Styrofoam and bicycles.
  - iii. Shelley is going to be on a committee related to the bluff.

- b. Environmental Update (by Jackie Calder): Superfund Meeting – Archima: EPA is going to take over the cleanup since it is not progressing as planned. A wall is being built to help mitigate. EPA will be taking over oversight on the process, and review remediation plans.
  - i. EPA has always overseen the project, but has come in to expedite the work plan to make sure that Archima is meeting expectations.

#### **4. Speaker Topics:**

##### **a. UofP Transportation Planning**

- i. Introduction by Jim Kuffner. Intent is to give update on traffic planning in relation to the master plan. If anyone is interested in the two documents (TDMP (Transportation Demand Management Plan, and SEMP(Special Events Management Plan)) that describe the process. Chris Bremmer from Kittelson & Associates, the U of P traffic engineering firm, and Kristy White from Ball Janek.
- ii. Chris Bremmer: (See attached for outline of topics).
  - 1. Attempt of plan is to minimize amount of single vehicle trips, and overall number of trips.
  - 2. First month of Flexcar van shuttle program had 330 people served, so the future is encouraging. This is over what was expected for the first month. 6:30am-8:30am, and 4:30pm-6:30pm at about 15 minute intervals are also available to the neighbors.
  - 3. Goal will be to have two more cars added in the neighborhood for use by general public as well.
- iii. SEMP.
  - 1. Recent land use change made so that U of P has to monitor events with expected trips over 500 vs. 1000.
- iv. Neighborhood comments:
  - 1. Would help if shuttle service is available during special events. This might help traffic congestion on Willamette.
  - 2. U of P could help encourage use of public transportation with discount given to those that use it to get to the event.
  - 3. How much is parking permit? \$60/semester or \$120/year. Students and staff have to register their vehicles and Campus Security monitors the off-site parking as best as possible.
  - 4. Resident parking permits may be an option if it becomes more of a problem.
  - 5. U of P has been doing a good job of recent efforts of controlling parking during special events.

6. Are vendors and contractors encouraged during off-hours? Currently they are not since campus is only open during normal hours. Contractors are mandated to travel to the campus via Columbia to Portsmouth.
7. Is there anything being done to look into Freightliner, and the fumes they producing? EJAG (Environmental Justice Action Group) is a resource to talk to. Also, the DEQ web site can be reviewed to look at the discharge permit.

**5. Good of the Order**

- a. Paul: North Portland Greenway Trail –
  - i. Acquisition from Steel Bridge to Cathedral Park is on Metro's fall ballot. Check out the web site for updates. Public input is very helpful to influence the direction of the plan.
- b. Mark: Got notice of grant. UPNA is working on funds for the 1) Triangle 2) Community bulletin boards, and 3) green street for the street adjacent to Mckenna Park. Proposals are due in January.
- c. Robin: He is on Mayors charter review commission. Looking at the 1) form of government, 2) PDC format, and 3) civil service charter.
- d. Jay Kushner: State Representative. (See Attached for handout on campaign material).
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