

University Park Neighborhood Association

General Meeting Minutes

Date: February 26, 2007

Start Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Portsmouth Lutheran

Attendance: Approximately 20

1. Introductions of the Board, Members, and Guests

2. Police Report (by Ken Reynolds)

- a. Submitted crime report map (see attached).
- b. Medicinal drug house case on Cambridge is ongoing.
- c. At any time, please call or email any questions so he can be prepared for specific issues.

3. Committee/Chair Reports

- a. Chair Update (by Fletcher Trippe):
 - i. Improvements to the playgrounds in area parks are finally beginning this year and will start with a concentrated effort in lead removal.
 - ii. Process on the Waud's Bluff trail has been put in place.
 1. Initial public meetings will be held in July with follow up meetings in September
 - iii. City wide meeting on infill housing on 3/24 at the Bureau of Planning at 1900 SW 4th.
 - iv. Important to contact Tom Potter regarding feedback on the affects of the plans on the North Precinct. He is the decision maker on any proposals brought by Chief Seizer.
 - v. UPNA has submitted a grant for the community benefit grant for \$9,000. 33 submittals were received. 1st review meeting is next week for the grant jurors.
 - vi. North Portland cleanup is on 4/21 by the Columbia Park Annex, at the Baptist Church. Will be taking computers and electronics for recycling, anything with a cord.
- b. University of Portland (Jim Kuffner):
 - i. U of P has been selected to as a site of the West Coast Conference tournament for men's and women's basketball. Thursday thru Monday is the time frame of the parking/traffic impact.
 - ii. Improvements of the Merlo field will be: 1) installation of field turf on the practice field, and future improvements 2) relocation of the entry concourse, and 3) additional rest rooms.

- iii. 3rd annual UPNA / U of P Friendship dinner will be held on Friday March 16th.
- iv. Triangle Park Acquisition: U of P has requested that the courts intervene with the actions of the property Owner and resolve the issue.
- v. U of P Organic Community Garden at the corner of McKenna and Warden
 - 1. Andy Taylor: SLUG (Student Lead Community Garden) is a student lead organization to attempt to bring the local community together with the U of P. So far they have raised \$1,000 and will be staking out the plots on the property this Saturday from 10am-2pm. On March 24th will be a planting day from 10am-1pm. Some ways to help volunteer are:
 - a. Participation in the plotting day
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 - 2. Individual plots will not be assigned as in the city community gardens. Time will be evaluated and the harvest will be doles out accordingly.
- c. NP Greenway Trail Group (Scott Mizee)
 - i. Last neighborhood community meeting was held on 2/15, and about 30 people attended.
 - ii. Next event will be on 3/15 @ 6:00pm for a walk of the Waud's Bluff Trail. Location is yet to be determined.
 - iii. NP Greenway is a community based group that is looking for neighborhood participation. Build out of the trail is tentatively scheduled to begin in 2008.
 - iv. Information is available on the web site www.npgreenway.org
 - v. Proposed resolution was presented to UPNA for potential adoption.
 - 1. Brian Oylear motioned for the resolution be brought to the floor for vote.
 - 2. Question: Who is the resolution to be presented to?
 - 3. Amended motion was seconded.
- d. Neighbors Night Out (Jennifer Politsch)
 - i. Official night is Thursday, 8/2.
 - ii. Proposed night is on Saturday, 8/4.
 - iii. We are looking to expand the event with some additional events such as business demonstrations, a "bike-in" movie.
 - iv. Event will be held at the McKenna Park.
 - v. Local schools will be contacted before the year ends to advertise the event in their newsletter's.
- e. Public Safety (Rick Merck)
 - i. On 3/10 at the Arbor Lodge there will be a workshop put on for graffiti prevention/removal.

- ii. Apartment owners calls to the police have picked up due to the community policing effort.
- f. Environmental (
 - i. Port of Portland will be building a confined hazard waste facility in the area.

4. Speaker/Guest Topics:

- i. Jeff Kogen, new city commissioner will be coming next week
- ii.

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- a. Dennis: Subject: Graffiti Removal. Have been participating in graffiti and trash removal for close to 17 years. Requesting financial support for expenses such as gas, licenses, and insurance.
- b. Donations can be made at US Bank in St. Johns under the Boosters account for Graffiti Removal. Specific information can be obtained from Sally.