

Rose City Park Neighborhood Association (RCPNA) Board Meeting Meeting Minutes

March 7, 2017, 7-9 pm

Meeting Items:

1. Introductions

- a. Tamara DeRidder, Board member
- b. Catherine Burke, new to RCP, here to observe
- c. Ramona Reule, Board member
- d. Ed Gorman, was a member, on land use, now retired
- e. Terry Parker, Board member
- f. Anne Lindsay, Board member
- g. Craig Lindsay, Board member
- h. David Gates, Board member
- i. Gary Points, Board member
- j. Steve Effros, Board member
- k. Bill Stewart, resident & father of Grant Constitution team member
- l. Casey Bolthouse, first time attendee
- m. Nate Parker, Board member
- n. Deb Field, Board member
- o. David Fellows, Board member
- p. Larry Wilder, Board member

2. CNN Document, Community and City Response to Hate, Joint Statement: Anne asked that all groups provide feedback

3. New Member Directory

4. Meeting Minutes – Approval

- a. January 24, 2017, General Meeting: passed
- b. February 7, 2017, Board Meeting: passed

5. Treasurer's Report

- a. See report
- b. We the People Event, Grant High School Constitution Team: request for donation by Bill Stewart, father of Jack Stewart (out sick); see signs to distribute, hang up; Grant and Lincoln have been two of the strongest teams in the country; life-changing opportunity; kids on team know more about constitution than most law school grads; competitions involve presenting to judges and answer questions, like an appellant argument; the budget is very economical; see possible inclusion in newsletter; Bill will send material to RCPNA newsletter team; Tamara DeRidder raised idea of doing a funding challenge; team can accept funds up to April 10; see dress rehearsal at school on 15th
 - i. Standard for allocating funds? Possible volunteering at clean-up event by high school students; see past donations to high school graduations; no other request yet this year; no guidelines yet for donations

- ii. \$200: 8 in support
- iii. \$250: 1 in support
- iv. \$300: 4 in support
- v. Support in value of \$200, straight: passes; Tamara will include in newsletter; request for volunteers will be included by Richard

6. Committee Reports

- a. Business: Deb Fields will be working with David to get business information on website; Tamara mentioned to Ted Wheeler about working with small businesses; working on Broadway Corridor project
- b. Clean Up:
 - i. Prohibited material
 - ii. Yard debris: backing off from no yard debris; City limiting number of drop boxes
 - iii. See possible posters, Next Door, Facebook; see possible email to a better email list
 - iv. See volunteer form on website
 - v. See intake form on website
 - vi. Include email request on request
 - vii. Possible recycled materials: Styrofoam (may not be recycled), plastics, car seats, clean wood, metal, electronics, mattresses, tires
- c. Communications:
 - i. Clean Up: can send out email with PDF materials
 - ii. Newsletter: deadline is March 10; working on redesign; looking at new printer options
 - iii. Board profiles coming together
 - iv. Highlights section: come up with new ideas to post; include Constitution Team mention
- d. Emergency Preparedness:
 - i. Number of members of RCP members who are NET trained is increasing
 - ii. BEECN Nights: BEECN = Basic Emergency Communications Node; closest node to RCPNA is Roseway Heights; City sponsored evening event will be held at German American building
- e. Entertainment:
 - i. Larry Wilder reaching out to artists; LaRhonda Steele, blues and gospel singer; dates of July 22 & 29; Hawaiian groups hard to nail down; email Gary Points and Larry with any ideas
- f. Environment:
 - i. Report: David Gates presented report; Tree Coalition meeting, nobody showed up; Urban Forestry will be doing tree inventory of City parks, dates to be announced; possible involvement of scout groups; this summer Tree Coalition will have a table at Farmer's Market for educational purposes, including for recruiting people to help with the park inventory, tree health, and tree related activities for several central northeast neighborhoods, with dates on April 15 and June 10; Arbor Day

event at Mt. Scott Park, April 22, 10 am – 3 pm; April 8 Tree Walk will take place, with recommendation of where new trees can be planted; Deb asked about possible ways to have tree debris left from storm removed; there will be proactive tree pruning training at future event

- g. Homelessness:
 - i. Ramona Reule presented update, including meeting with Jessica Hecox, a neighbor, who is reaching out to homeless in RCP and Madison South; want to support Do Good Multnomah program to provide a couple meals a month to those folks; Jessica working on email list; buy-in from executive director; Oregon Catholic Press event in March; a lot of activity at a grassroots level; will include in next newsletter
- h. Land Use & Transportation
 - i. Application of variance from noise variance from Our Lady of Lavang Church; will bring to land use committee in April; a lot of activities at this location; noise after 10 pm in the past; Laotian and Vietnamese immigrants, helped grow this community center
 - ii. Next meeting will discuss sidewalks on 60th, between NE Halsey & MAX Station
 - iii. Fremont bus line: CNN would like to support it as a coalition; will borrow language from RCPNA
 - iv. Taco Time: timeline for start of construction is about 6 months or so
 - v. Rheinlander: new development team will be at next meeting
- 7. Yard Sale Proposal:** possible severing of yard sale from rest of Clean Up; could sponsor a neighborhood-wide yard sale event, possibly in the early fall; see example from Laurelhurst event, charge people to be included in event; could break this out of Communications Committee into its own event; difficulty of donations at Clean Up is how brief there is to be able to collect and sell at that event; will explore this further in Communications Committee
- 8. Planning for Next General Meeting**
 - a. Ted Wheeler confirmed today; will talk about small businesses, residential infill process, preparedness/resiliency, affordability/homelessness and sanctuary city status; plus question & answer period; 45 minutes to talk & 15 minutes Q & A
 - b. Dick Clark from Portland Clinic will present about Rheinlander development; 20 minutes
 - c. Gary Points will present update for 15 minutes
 - d. Constitution Team, possible 5 minute video
 - e. Clean Up Event, material & presentation (at start)
 - f. Entertainment Committee, presentation (at start)
 - g. Refreshments, Deb will bring stuff
 - h. Will include in newsletter
 - i. See Chloe Eudaly for June General Meeting
- 9. New Business**
 - a. See “Community and City Response to Hate, Joint Statement”: Anne and David can take back questions, comments, and possible support; can send these via

email; some recommendation to remove reference to “Trump administration”; would also like clarification on purpose of statement and next steps; RCPNA measure would be that we support this statement and we strongly suggest the eight words at the end of paragraph three be removed; passed

- b. Reminder about CNN conflict of interest form for old and new members (sign form)
- c. Budget committee to get ready for June
- d. ONI auditor, nothing to be concerned about, just need to better accounting
- e. Proposal for future general meeting for businesses to come and network with RCPNA and each other

10. Adjourn