

**MADISON SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 5, 2018**

OPENING AND GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chair Dave Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, welcomed all attendees, and everyone introduced themselves.

NEIGHBORHOOD OFFICER: Officer Rich Holthausen was present at the meeting and shared two printed handouts with those present: monthly Neighborhood Offense Statistics for our area and a High Priority Calls document speaking to the staffing issues of the PPB. The crime statistics shared were specifically for Madison South neighborhood. It must be remembered that the offenses occurring outside the boundaries of a neighborhood or in areas without a defined address are included in citywide totals when the report has not been filtered for a specific neighborhood. Officer Holthausen also shared that response times for officers to calls is slower because of the shortage of officers.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: It was noted that the minutes of February included a mistake under the Neighborhood Officer's report. In the fourth sentence the, " ...property is owned by ODOT (instead of the railroad)". There being no other corrections, Will Heiberg moved to accept the minutes as amended and Ruth Hander seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: There was no treasurer's Report at the treasurer was not in attendance.

2018 NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP: The cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, May 5, 2018 in Glenhaven Park. Ruth hander reported that all necessary permits have been obtained. She will procure the food from Subway. According to Secretary Lisa Walsh, she has posted requests for volunteers on social media, however only two people have volunteered. Dave Smith passed around a volunteer sign-up sheet during the meeting.

GARBAGE CANS FOR HOMELESS: Stacy Bancroft reported that she has contacted many organizations regarding this topic and has received no information on how we can get a garbage can and service. She stated that Les Schwab provides a garbage can near the bus stop in front of their business and they personally service it. She was able to get the area on a list at Central City Concern for semi rotation for cleanups. It was also noted that Clean Start Portland also goes out to help with cleanups of areas where homeless people congregate.

LAND USE & 82ND IMPROVEMENT COALITION: Kimberly Botter was unable to attend. Dave Smith shared a letter that was written to Metro Council and the Oregon transportation Commission from city and state leaders expressing concern that ODOT has not included 82nd Avenue in the 2018 regional Transportation Plan that would allow for upgrades and repairs to the Avenue to facilitate a transfer of ownership to the city. They urged ODOT to add 82nd Avenue to the 1-10-year plan.

PORTLAND JUST ENERGY TRANSITION INITIATIVE: Information regarding this city wide initiative was distributed and discussed. This is an all-volunteer effort and the group is seeking endorsements from Neighborhood Associations and other groups. They are collecting signatures and if they get the number of necessary signatures by mid-July, the Initiative will be on the November ballot. There is a kick-off meeting this Saturday, April 7, 2018 from 1-3:30 pm at Central Lutheran Church, 1820 NE 21st, Portland.

82ND AVENUE OF ROSES PARADE: This parade is scheduled for April 28, 2018 and will be sponsored by the Portland bridge Festival. It will begin at Eastport Plaza. After the parade there will also be a carnival and Cruise-In Car Rally. The donation that MSNA made last year to the parade, because the parade was cancelled, will be applied to this year's parade.

MOVIE IN THE PARK: Once again MSNA will be sponsoring the movie in the park and it will be held in Glenhaven Park. There will also be a band and vendors.

CNN Update: Ruth Hander reported that:

- the Office of Neighborhood Involvement is in the budget process and they are looking at the possibility of eliminating one of the neighborhood coalitions. They are also contemplating changing their name.
- CNN is helping 8 families who were affected by the fire in the Cully neighborhood.
- The Sumner neighborhood is getting a new ball park.
- Beaumont-Wilshire Neighborhood is holding 'The Taste of Beaumont'
- Roseway Neighborhood has cancelled their cleanup
- Hollywood neighborhood has received a grant to create a mural at the Hollywood Max Stop to honor the fatal incident that happened there last year. Restrooms will also be added to the site.
- Bob Ueland, a long-time neighborhood volunteer is very ill.
- There will continue to be budget hearings for the public to attend. The next budget meeting will be at Roosevelt High School.

82nd AVENUE MEETING: There was no formal presentation of the gathering that was held in March, however Jonah Majure and Tristan Isaac shared that the event was well attended. People participated in breakout sessions that spoke about the Newsletter, housing, security/safety, emergency preparedness, and growing food. This group will meet every odd month when there is no MSNA meeting. Meeting notifications are posted on Facebook and NextDoor Neighbors. It was noted that there was a different crowd that attended this meeting than that come to MSNA meetings. This group will meet the first Thursday in May at 7pm at the Lumberyard.

OLD BUSINESS: The Newsletter was discussed: how City Bible Church sponsors our newsletter printing, Jenna Manchester is the editor and collects the information and sends it electronically to the printers, who in turn send the printed copy to a company that addresses and mails them for us. We pay for the postage. There is interest to explore the possibility of having the newsletter translated into different languages. Cost is a significant factor, especially if ONI's budget is cut and we no longer receive a grant that helps us pay for the mailing of the newsletter.

Neighbor had a question regarding the Banfield Corporate Office site on NE 82nd and Tillamook. Dave Smith reported that although there have been several groups interested in the property, all deals have fallen through at this time. The property is still owned by the Mars Corporation.

New Business: Gateway Green is now an official Portland Park. It will be closing in October of this year and will be receiving electricity, water and toilets. It is due to reopen next June, 2019.

Tim Moore informed us of the Neighborhood Emergency Team in our neighborhood. There are currently 18 people who are NET trained volunteers and who will be exploring the neighborhood within the next few months to assess conditions. He will coordinate with the neighbors who are interested in getting involved with this project.

Stacy Bancroft announced that there are 2 slots left to volunteer at the Food Bank to help repackage food. on April 21, 2018 from 1-3:30 pm at the Food Bank on NE 33rd Avenue.

NEXT MEETING:

The next MSNA General Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 7, 2018, 7-9pm at the Lumberyard.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Will Heiberg made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Tim Moore seconded the motion. Dave Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:31 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Smith for Lisa Walsh