

**Madison South Neighborhood Association General Meeting  
February 2, 2017**

David Smith opened the meeting at 7:00pm and everyone went around and introduced themselves.

**OFFICERS REPORT:** Officer Rich Holthuasen was present: he asked for input from attendees at the meeting. Discussion followed regarding people who are houseless. Officer Holthousen encouraged people to continue to call the non-emergency number.

Gabrielle, the Executive Director of Mainspring, the nonprofit that bought the property on 82nd and Fremont. Mainspring is a food pantry and social service agency and hopes to be open in the next six weeks.

**MINUTES:** Will Heiberg made the motion to accept the minutes of the December 1, 2016 meeting. Ruth Hander seconded: motion passed unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** On behalf of Pat Smith, Dave Smith presented the treasurer's report and asked for questions or comments. There being none made, Will Heiberg made a motion to approve the report as submitted. Ruth Hander seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

**CAPSTONE PARTNERS:** In mid-February the new grocery store tenant will be announced.

**LAND USE and 82nd IMPROVEMENT COALITION:** There will be a Community Forum on March 18th at 1pm at Dharma Rain to get community input regarding new businesses, development and priority improvements for the neighborhood.

**CNN UPDATE: Doug Fasching discussed the following:**

1. There was a successful meet and greet with neighborhood association chair and vice chairs.
2. Dave Smith discussed EPIC and its mission and activities
3. Community grants were granted and the new applications will be out in September
4. New development at the former Rheinlander will include a new building with retail on the first floor and the Portland Clinic occupying the second floor
5. Friends of Trees will host at Tree Planting for Madison South on March 23rd

**82nd AVENUE OF THE ROSES PARADE:** April 29th at 9:30 am. Ruth Handler discussed the parade route starting at Eastport Plaza to Stark and participants. Lineup begins at 8:00am and volunteers are still needed.

**MADISON SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP:** May 13th

**MOVIE IN THE PARK:** No date yet and the movies have been narrowed to 4 selections.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Discussion regarding the houseless issues and if there has been any resolution. Suggestion to bring housing and social service advocates such as JOIN or the Village Coalition to the next MSNA meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Neighbors brought up the following items.

1. Gateway Green is having a grand opening of its 1st phase in early June. Access is through Maywood Park and the Gateway Transit Bike path
2. Beech Community Garden work parties will begin February 12th from 11-1:30 and continue the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month
3. Jason Lee Fundraiser- pancake breakfast February 18th
4. An outreach committee for MSNA will begin and volunteers were requested
5. A Portland Public School Bond will be on the ballot in May which will greatly affect Madison High School
6. The issue of how the neighborhood association can support Portland as a sanctuary city and immigrants living in the neighborhood
7. A discussion of how to increase participation of immigrants within MSNA and bring a more diverse voice to the table. The outreach committee will meet, discuss and propose a strategy.

**ADJOURN:** Jenny moved and Doug Fasching seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed at 8:21pm.

*Respectfully submitted by Rebecca Levison, Board member.*