

**MADISON SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 6, 2019**

OPENING AND GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

NEIGHBORHOOD OFFICER:

Officer Kyle Dooley was present and fielded questions from the floor regarding a recent incident at Gateway Fred Meyer; the suspect is in custody.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Pat Smith moved to accept the minutes of April 6, 2019; seconded by Michael Botter. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Chair Dave Smith read an email update from MSNA's Interim Treasurer, Ronda Johnson, who was unable to attend.

BANFIELD BUILDING UPDATE:

Alisa Fairweather, Director of Community Relations at University of Western States was present and provided an overview for new attendees (coursework offered includes Nutrition, Sports Medicine, Clinical Mental Health Counseling, Chiropractic and various online programming.) She also provided the following update:
The building is now in the interior construction phase and the hope is to be moved in by December. Due to additional space available, the university may consider leasing to a health-related partner. There will be free designated parking for patients. Onsite paid parking for students and staff will be available, but Ms. Fairweather noted that the school location has great access to transit for all and will be encouraged. She assured neighbors that the school will monitor the adjacent neighborhood so that students and staff are not parking there.

LOCAL FARMER'S MARKET:

Neighbor Leslie Kochan shared details about the upcoming pop up Farmer's Markets, a collaborative effort of Madison South, Sumner and Roseway neighborhoods. These two pop up events for 2019 will gauge the neighborhood interest in future markets. The first is set for Saturday July 13, 10-2 at Dharma Rain Zen Center. A second date will be determined and will be held at the same location. So far, a query of neighbors indicates a strong interest. A 2020 market location is being considered at University of Western States campus. In closing Ms. Kochan circulated a sign-up sheet for neighbors who might be interested in volunteering for outreach as well as at the event. She also provided her contact information: kochanleslie@gmail.com, 502-236-4157.

State Representative Barbara Smith Warner was scheduled to provide a legislative update but was not in attendance.

NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP:

MSNA Cleanup Coordinator Ronda Johnson was unable to attend the meeting due to a scheduling conflict. Chair Dave Smith confirmed the event is set for Saturday, September 14 from 8-2 at Glenhaven Park.

LAND USE & 82ND IMPROVEMENT COALITION:

Land Use Chair Kimberly Botter shared the following update:

- At a hearing on May 23 the Portland City Council shared that PDOT and ODOT have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding regarding the jurisdictional transfer of 82nd Avenue from the State to the City. The next step will be discussion of funding, particularly how much ODOT would be responsible for.
- Metro will be submitting ballot measure in 2020 to include regional funding updated crossings and lighting on 82nd Avenue.
- Kimberly shared details of a letter from the Chair of the Overlook Neighborhood Association. They would like other Portland NAs to support enforcing a requirement of the Centers Main Street Overlay Zone: requiring that the ground floor of projects be active use. Examples would be commercial, office and other development that would encourage human traffic.
- In closing, Kimberly noted that her family will be moving to Washington State in September. All present wished her well and Chair Dave Smith thanked her for her long service to the neighborhood as Land Use Chair.

Chair Dave Smith shared that he recently met with the CEO of Community Development Partners regarding their interest in the remaining acreage at Siskiyou Square. However, as the company was not aware of the mitigation involved in developing the site, they will need to do further due diligence.

CNN UPDATE:

MSNA Board Representative Ruth Hander reported the following:

- **Ronda Johnson** has taken on the role of **Equity Outreach Manager at CNN** and is recruiting students to staff the front desk temporarily
- The **Community Livability Committee** has been giving out trash bags to area houseless.
- The **New Year's in the Park** celebration had some issues with insurance and had to obtain on their own
- **CNN 2019-20** budget has allocated \$2250 for the Madison South newsletter

The following is news within the Coalition:

- **Cully-** cleanup had 150 volunteers, filled 9 drop boxes and raised \$5000. The former Sugar Shack has been razed; residential development is planned
- **Hollywood-** hosted another successful Junior Rose Parade. A fence is going up adjacent to the Transit Center to discourage camping
- **Roseway-** is hosting a Movie in the Park on July 28 at Wellington Park as well as three concerts. Their cleanup this year filled 11 drop boxes and raised \$4,000
- **Grant Park-**cleanup raised \$2500
- **Rose City Park-** new apartments in development

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Neighbor Stacy Pearson shared that **Mainspring Community Services** is accepting donations of food, clothing and hygiene items
- Kimberly Botter shared that **Jason Lee Elementary** won grants from both Moda and Nike to build an all ability playground, which will be supplemented by an Early Learners grant. The Head Start program will also be at the school starting this fall
- A neighbor had a question regarding how to get **speed bumps** on their street; following discussion they were referred to PBOT
- Dave Smith gave a brief overview of **National Night Out** and reminded all that there will be no August MSNA meeting. The next meeting will be on October 3.

NEXT MEETING:

The next MSNA General Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 3, 2019, 7-9pm at the Lumberyard.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Chair Dave Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:41 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Walsh, Secretary