

Lents Neighborhood Association Board Meeting

May 12, 2016

Zoiglhaus Meeting Room

5716 SE 92nd Ave

Kyle Linhares called the meeting order at 6:34pm and reviewed the items on the board meeting agenda.

Robert Schultz shared information on the ONI website resources; Cora Potter made a motion to give Schultz the authority to establish and set up a page on the EPNO site, Linhares seconded, and the motion **passed**.

The board discussed facilitating communication between board members; Raymond Hites clarified that communications outside of meetings cannot be discussions towards any decision.

Potter updated the board on her work to get a fiscal partner for a grant for the gazebo in Lents park, and made a motion to bring a proposal, which is to spend up to \$1000 for expenses in design services for the gazebo, to the membership at the next general meeting; Judy Low seconded the motion. In discussion, Gary Primack stated his opposition to the plan. The motion **passed**, with Primack opposed and Schultz abstaining.

Primack updated the board on his community outreach and plans to update the flyers and enlarge some into posters; he will work with Eliza Lindsay and the EPNO office on that.

Jennifer Koozer, from TriMet, updated the board on the Powell-Division Transit Project, stating that the plans for a route that went from Powell to Division by 82nd Ave will be rejected in favor of a route that remains on Division; Schultz, Clinton Garner, Potter, Hites and Primack asked questions about the decision and its possible impact on Lents.

Koozer went on to share information about the changes planned for the garage project at the site of the current Powell Boulevard Park & Ride. Potter expressed concerns about the traffic impact at 92nd Ave. and Powell, the effect on students in the Marshall High School building, traffic control at the four-way stop at the I-205, and effects on air quality. Hites and Schultz asked that they make a presentation to the community, before a general meeting, to communicate and get feedback. Koozer and Jean Senechal Biggs, with PBOT, left their contact information for future communication.

Garner announced that he will be vacating the Transportation Chair position by July. Primack made a motion to announce the board's open seats at the next general meeting, Linhares seconded, and the motion **passed**, with Primack abstaining.

Schultz stated that he would replace Garner on the Community Outreach Committee, and would open the committee up to non-board members at the general meeting.

Potter made a motion that a moment of silence be held in honor of Prince at the next general meeting; the motion **passed**, with Linhares and Hites abstaining.

Potter made a motion to approve the minutes from the April board meeting as written, Linhares seconded, and the motion **passed** unanimously.

Hites updated the board on the EPN's new bylaws, which passed in spite of his

vote in opposition per the LNA board's request, which now allow for groups other than Neighborhood Associations to join.

Linhares told the board that there would be no Lents themed merchandise for the Sunday Parkways; Garner suggested that the LNA share the EPAP booth. Schultz suggested a booth that encouraged social media outreach.

Potter shared a draft of a letter that would outline the official position of the Lents Neighborhood Association on the issues of homelessness in the Lents neighborhood.

Resident Jennifer Young shared her experiences with the city and camping policy, and stated that resources are available but are being refused.

The board discussed the letter, including some minor language additions. Ray Hites made a motion that, with the additional language, the board adopt the letter as the LNA's position and present it to the general membership for a vote at the next general meeting; Linhares seconded, and the motion **passed** unanimously.

Tim Crawley, of the Powellhurst-Gilbert Neighborhood Association, asked to share the letter with his group after it has been approved by the LNA membership.

After a discussion on the rules regarding attendance at board meetings and communicating with board members, Judy Low made a motion that the Chair touch base with absentee board members; Schultz seconded, and the motion **passed** unanimously.

Primack asked that the board invite neighbors to the LNA meetings; Hites suggested we reach out to that the Slavic association, which is now a member of EPN.

Hites reminded board members that Robert's Rules of Order states that objections to any motion must be made at the time the motion is presented and voted on, but that the LNA does not currently use these rules.

Linhares adjourned the meeting at 8:47pm.

Attendants: Kyle Linhares (Chair), Judy Low (Vice Chair), Cora Potter (Land Use), Robert Schultz (Public Safety), Gary Primack (At-Large), Clinton Garner (Transportation), Raymond Hites (At-Large), Heather Chapin (Secretary), Jennifer Young, Joanne Luchini, Kenneth Luchini, Christopher Luchini, Jennifer Koozer, Jean Senechal Biggs, Timothy Crawley, Eliza Lindsay

Submitted by Heather Chapin

Approved by the board with amendments, June 9, 2016