

Lents Neighborhood Association

Minutes for General Meeting, April 23, 2013

Lents Activity Center (Seventh-Day Adventist Church)

8835 SE Woodstock Blvd.

Roll Call and Introduction

Chair Nick Christensen called the meeting to order at 7:03, and attendants introduced themselves.

Citizen Communication

Education Chair Theresa Swett reported that the Box Tops and labels collection has raised over \$83, and distributed fliers about collection locations.

David Hyde announced that the Tool Library would be holding workshops during the summer; more information is available at greenlents.org.

Announcements

Christensen announced the continued vacancy of the Membership Chair position, and three upcoming events.

On Saturday, April 27, the East Portland transportation summit will be held at IRCO, at noon, and the 82nd Avenue of Roses Parade and Eastport Plaza Carnival will begin at 10am.

Sunday Parkways will be held on May 12, and the Lents Neighborhood Association will be contributing bicycle license plates.

Chair Cora Potter announced a call for artists for the proposed mural on the south wall of the Working Class Acupuncture building, and stated that donations can be made at lents.biz.

Reports

Treasurer Clarice Keating announced a balance of \$1550 in checking and \$6461 in savings.

Keating made a motion to make East Portland Neighbors the fiscal sponsor for the planned shelter and community bulletin board, Richard Christman seconded and it was approved.

announced that Thursday 4/25 there would be a formal dedication at the the East Lents Floodplain Project.

David Hyde of URAC reported that there was ongoing discussion about funding an Ellis St. project and they are waiting for the PDC budget.

Chair Cora Potter reported that cell tower off of 92nd Ave was under design review, as was a proposed building on 89th Ave; the latter applicant will be at the 5/9 board meeting for further discussion.

Sam Freeman from the Crime Prevention Program shared positive statistics on local crime going down (excepting shoplifting and other larcenies). She handed out fliers and listed numbers residents can call to report various non emergency problems.

Multiple attendants expressed frustration at getting assistance and asked for information; Freeman recommended identifying the property owner, calling the non-emergency numbers and contacting Mitch McKee for chronic nuisances.

Nick Christensen reported that the Foster Road Streetscape would be having an open house on June 4 and handed out fliers about an upcoming rain garden workshop.

Raymond Hites proposed approval of March LNA general meeting minutes, Richard Christman seconded and they were adopted as written.

Presentations

K. J. Lewis of Healthy Kids Healthy Portland spoke in favor of raising the fluoridation level of

Portland's water supply from 0.1ppm to 0.7ppm, stating that it was the cornerstone of a comprehensive dental strategy.

David Hyde asked about the professed cost savings; Lewis said it saves in Medicaid costs over time. Rosemary Colorafi asked if topical application was more effective; Lewis answered that this is more cost effective.

Richard Monahan asked how much the water bill would rise; Lewis answered approximately \$1 per year per user.

Richard Christman asked about the dosage levels based on water consumption.

KC Hanson asked about the impact on people with chemical sensitivity.

Debbi Allen expressed concerns about fluorosis; Lewis restated that the CDC supported the change.

Cora Potter asked if there would be an undo burden on local businesses that use the water; Lewis stated that it would not change taste or odor and is supported by local businesses.

Jason Kallingal discussed the plans for an informational kiosk on Foster Road and 91st Ave. at the Foster Plaza. He stated that it would be solar powered, based on a similar kiosk in Sellwood.

Hites reminded attendants that the location used to be a Carnegie library and suggested mentioning that in the information on the kiosk.

Attendants:

Theresa Swett, Heather Chapin, Jason Kallingal, Nick Christensen, Clarice Keating, Dee Itami, Rosemary Colorafi, Jesse Cornett, Debi Allen, Richard J Monahan, Coby Bixby, Wendy Foster, Sam Freeman, KC Hanson, David Hyde, Dan McElligott, Raymond Hites, Richard Christman, KJ Lewis