

# **OKNA Board Meeting Record**

## **Meeting Details**

DateApril 7, 2020ChairAlexandra DegherTime6:30 – 7:30pmLocationOnline Zoom MeetingMeeting TypeBoardSecretaryChris Trejbal

#### Attendees

## **Board Members in Attendance**

Alan Crana Alexandra Degher Alexandra Penny Brad Halverson Chris Trejbal Cynthia Sulaski George Spaulding John Parks Csey Boggs Marci MacFarlane Peter Parks Robert Morus Julia Metz May Wallace

## **Chair Report**

- Alexandra called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.
- Approval of prior meeting minutes
  - o Minutes were not addressed because secretary was absent

## **Update on OKNA Activity and Views**

- Alexandra reported that there was broad agreement to meet virtually.
- On publishing the Views in May, the board was split closely in pre-meeting vote with a slight inclination toward not publishing.
- Most people said to keep the business directory another edition if we do publish. Supporter argued for community and including COVID-19 information. Opponents argued for lost content and worry about visiting homes.
- Alex said she's a little hesitant about including COVID information because everything is changing so quickly.
- May and Chris made the case against doing it. It's the wrong time to send people door-to-door. Handling something that goes to every house. Someone could be a carrier and not know it.
- Cynthia made a case for continuing it. She doesn't see it as different from delivering the mail. This is an opportunity to stay connected with our community that's beyond Nextdoor.
- Casey is in the "why not" camp. But if we don't have a lot of substance, maybe there's no point. Put this issue online.
- Chris said there wasn't much content. Message from chair is all that's left.
- Brad said June 1 might be the day that people can return to the public. Could we have an edition ready to go by then?
- Cynthia suggested content could be to describe thing that Overlook residents have been doing during this time.

- The board will discuss this at the next meeting.
- Casey, Brad and Peter will touch base on questions to send out to the neighborhood. Chris will put those in the Neighborhood Update, and Alex will put them on Nextdoor.
- Anyone interested in producing content should begin looking for story ideas about what people are doing during quarantine.
- Chris will investigate whether the printer is even open.

## **General meeting**

- Alex asked if we want to do an online general meeting. We don't have anything lined up for the agenda right now.
- No objections to canceling the April general meeting; the next OKNA meeting will be the board meeting on May 5.

#### **Board Reports**

- Brad will check with Nicole Pierce on the status of the Greeley bike lane project. The city has put all projects up for potential cut given the financial situation.
- Julia reported that Bureau of Development Services has created a tiered system for accepting projects at this time. We probably won't see a lot of new permitting activity at this time, but there could be affordable housing projects elsewhere. If we do get a project, it creates a problem for the in-person developer meeting requirements. BDS has not put out any guidance. Residential Infill Project is on hold.
- Cynthia reported that Parks has said summer Free For All is in limbo.
- Peter demonstrated the mask that May had made for him. They will provide them to some of the campers in Madrona Park and maybe Hazelnut Grove. Homeless residents are concerned that the city will push everyone into shelters if they open hotels, etc. They don't want to be in shelter.

## **Chair Report**

- Alexandra presented the COVID-19 flyer that will be sent around to homes. She had previously shared it with the board.
- Chris reported that the flyer had gone to press and suggested tabling the discussion until we see the final version. Discussion was tabled.
- Alex reported that the April North Portland chairs meeting was canceled.
- Peter reported that Marci had sent an email saying should could not get a good connection for the meeting.
- Alex said that she and Chris had discussed getting a Zoom subscription for \$15/month. Casey offered to use his account for a few months. If it goes longer, we will revisit.
- Brad suggested that we look for ways to support neighborhood businesses using OKNA funds. The board will discuss further at a later meeting.

Meeting adjourned 7:28

#### **Next Meetings**

- General Meeting: April 23 (6:30–8:30pm) cancelled
- Board Meeting: May 5th, 2020 (6:30–8:30pm) Zoom meeting