

OKNA Board Meeting Minutes July 7, 2009
Michelle Thompson

Attendance: Please add sign in sheet information here

Meeting was brought to order and started on time at 7pm

New Business:

Matt Scoggin raised the topic of having a table at the Overlook Business Association (OVBA) Street Fair on Saturday August 1. The Fair runs from 10am-9pm
Matt & Michelle agreed to decide the details and make a mailing to the yahoo list for volunteers to staff the table in 1-2 hour turns.

Matt was contacted by a Beaverville associate (name?) regarding a street closure to coincide with the Street Fair. The group wants to close N Omaha for one block from Killingsworth, north and the city application requires NA approval. The Board agreed to finalize our approval via email once we were sure the group had contacted 100% of the residents involved AND had a majority of their approval.

Claire offered some notes from the Chairs Meeting July 5.
Airport futures is forming a public group to discuss a 3rd runway
There is a new planning person for this.

The Friends of PIR are starting a new noise study over the coming 18 months. North Portland neighborhoods get about \$34K annually in appeasement money because of the noise the racetrack creates. The neighborhoods have been banking this money, which now totals about \$200K, and the Chairs had drafted a letter to Commissioner Nick Fish to get control of that money back away from the city. The money is used for grants in North Portland.

I did not capture all the notes on HB3201 regarding changing the OLCC code.

National Night Out is August 4, which is also our Board meeting night.

Chair Reports

George:
PSAC meeting, he did not attend.

Cynthia:
The sunflowers at Interstate & Killingsworth are being overwatered and they are not as big as hoped by this time.
A Patton Park Apts resident has contacted her about the proposed 'Friends of Patton Park' group
The Parks Dept is still working on consolidating the Bluff Parklet land; have not heard from any of the concerned neighbors about recent problems.
HydroPark: really coming on now; grand opening slated for mid September.

Kent
Paid the newsletter bill

A proposal was forwarded by Cynthia to form a ByLaws Committee to review and update the OKNA Board bylaws. Of particular attention are mandatory attendance minimums and formalizing some of the logistical duties (especially the checking account name situation).

Tom Griffin-Valade, Gilah Tennenbaum and Jim Bennet were suggested as people to reach out to for help with this project.

Matt seconded. The proposal passed.

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Alan
Overlook House is going good
Movie Night was cancelled due to trouble getting the movie screen

Matt
Recap of the Patton Park Apartments topic, trying to gain access to lobby or residents' doors for info & newspaper drops. Tom Kilbane offered to contact Michelle Haynes at REACH to see where we could get.

Tom
Update on the Prescott project; Tom and Matt attended the Fire Dept presentation at the site regarding the training that is taking place on the abandoned buildings. The FD is very excited about the opportunity and will use up every bit of it they can.
More good news: PDC has agreed to pay for the Rebuilding Center to deconstruct and recycle what is left over after the FD burns the buildings.

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ICURAC is still watching the URA expansion plans and is wary of the new committee being formed by PDC, which will include 2 ICURAC members on an 8 person committee. The contentious topic is whether or not to bring Memorial Coliseum/Rose Quarter from the Convention Center URA to ICURA. Also keeping an eye on 'entertainment district' plans. Agendas and plans seem to be changing weekly.

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Newsletter committee met, all on track.
We do need to set the date/location of the Holiday party, or begin promoting it in the next issue of the paper.

Michelle raised the question of a new logo design and how we can get that going. It is OK to solicit this from likely suspects. The possibility of a contest has been raised.

The website updates were raised in discussion and all present are eager to have the new site online and to be able to update it/add information on a much faster scale.
Zita told Michelle the updates are imminent and said she will send the link for a sample page soon.

I'm sorry these are skimpy notes and that I've posted them late.

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