

Overlook Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting Minutes
October 7, 2008

Attendees: Claire Paris, Warren Cassell, George Spaulding, Clare Matthias, Alan Cranna, Kent Hodick, Steve Lanigan, Matt Scoggin, and Eric Gale (acting Secretary)

Prescott Development:

- Need to investigate transfer of FARs (Floor-to-Area Ratios) and how they work.
- Need to contact Maryland residents & set up meeting. (Matt will schedule Overlook House)
- Letter: ask for better communication (including demolition), parking, ask for quality materials, landscaping to buffer Maryland, abatements for parking access on Skidmore. Claire, Eric, David prep letter.

Holiday Potluck:

- Trillium is available for \$50. Eric will follow up on dates. Will try for 1st Tues.
- Boosting attendance: Membership committee. Contact new residents. Cross-promote with Trillium (what percent come from Overlook?) Door prize (business in neighborhood). No band. Cross market with business association. Cookie decorating. Cross with Beach PTA. Invite Daybreak Cohousing. Better promotion (promotional fliers). Every board member invite 2 people. Matt will coordinate.

Chairs Reports:

- Publicity: Will invite IFM to respond to last editorial.
- PSAC (Safety): Discussion at PSAC meeting on being proactive with spill-over effects of 82nd prostitution crack down.
- Business/Community Relations:
 - o Clare attended last Interstate Corridor Business Alliance (ICBA) board meeting. Roux, Beaterville, Miller Paint, & DC Custom Prints are new members. Area is Russell to Lombard and Greeley to I-5. New website: www.icbaportland.com. Talked about Interstate Corridor street fair next year and marketing to attract more people to area as place to go, and the Portland Streetcar.
 - o Clare volunteered to be a liason with the Interstate Famers Market.
- North Portland Chairs:
 - o Applicants sought for Independent Police Review committee and Bicycle master plan (will post to list as announcements made).
 - o North Portland Election Forum: Thurs., 10/23 6:00-8:00 pm at Ockley Green auditorium. City Council debate from 6:00-7:00. Ballot measure presentation from 7:00-8:00
 - o Update on Frente Comun activities (www.frentecomun.org)
 - o Subcommittees to look at communication and OLCC being formed.
 - o Communication reimbursement for 2008-2009 will be \$1,322.
- Overlook House: Halloween party. Flier at next meeting.

- Treasurer: Taxes almost done. Freightliner newsletter grant out. Need to ask Freightliner for money (Claire and Eric). If not, others (and possibly either).
- Fire Risk Reduction:
 - o Railroad: they want to go forward with agreement. If doesn't go through, Steve will work on letter to push, including other issues that they might be concerned with including a map a transient camps that Steve is working on.
 - o Original FEMA grant extended for another growing season. Won't know about the further funds until Dec., 2009.
 - o BES is working on mailing list of property owners to notify of sprayings/work.
 - o One more spray in late Oct./Nov.
- Parks: "Mocks Crest" Park now owned by Portland Parks (non maintained land). Steve has a contact there now. Long term, push for more maintenance. Wait till new owners in neighboring house. Talk to Cynthia about starting process.
- Membership:
 - o Welcoming Committee chair had to step down. Matt would like to combine the Welcoming and Diversity subcommittees into Membership (*motion passed and approved*). Next meeting next Monday.
 - o Diversity: Matt has discussed a workshop on making meetings more welcoming to be hosted by Jeri Williams (ONI). Possibly a 2nd Monday – likely after the new year.
 - o Matt interested in applying for North Portland grant for Membership. Warren will send Matt Gilla's contact. Will send out draft.
 - o Need to push for east side area rep.
- Hydo park . Water Bureau will provide \$20,000 for establishment. They'll take care of maintenance. 2 hour meeting last week. Planing for 3 or 4 meetings before start. Want to begin construction fairly soon. Great turnout. Possible use as outdoor classroom for Beach.

October General Meeting: Eric is contacting Beach, Ockley Green, Trillium, and Jefferson speakers.

To Dos:

- Reserve Overlook House for Prescott meeting: Matt
- Investigate FAR transfers
- Draft Prescott letter: Eric, David, Claire
- Follow up with Trillium on holiday potluck dates: Eric
- Ask Freightliner for newsletter grant renewal: Eric and Claire
- Invite Oct. general meeting speakers: Eric
- Track progress in Union Pacific agreement: Steve
- Coordination of "Mocks Crest" maintenance group: Steve and Cynthia
- Send Matt Gilla's contact for N. Portland grant app: Warren