



OKNA Board Meeting Record

Meeting Details

Date	January 5th, 2021	Chair	Alexandra Degher
Time	6:30 – 8:00 pm	Location	Zoom
Meeting Type	Board	Secretary	Marci Macfarlane

Attendees

Board Members in Attendance

Alan Cranna	Chris Trejbal	Casey Boggs
Alexandra Degher	Cynthia Sulaski	Marci MacFarlane
Cassie Kebler	George Spaulding	Lee Kebler
Brad Halverson	John Parks	

Guest(s)

- Greg Bourget about Air Toxin Letter, Alex Zielinski from the Mercury, Kristina Johnson from Commissioner Hardesty's office, Matt Glazewski From Commissioner Mapps Office, Mary Jaron Kelly from NPNS, Doretta Schrock from NPNS
- Overlook Residents: Jojo E, Ana H, Laura B, Siobhan, Amanda A, Sam M, Everett R, Merigold S, Becca R, Jenna P, Dan W, David B, Hanna M, Iris V, Gregory J, Jenna P, Nick C, Matt P, Brian Y, Lutz RG, Christy H, Tomi A, Robin L, Jose A, Robin C, Gregory J, Thomas K, Beau B, Jen I, Stacy N, Alex F, Grant P

Chair Report

- Alexandra called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
- Alexandra asked if we could give more time on the on the agenda to the Homeless Letter
 - **Motion:** Brad moved that we change the agenda . Casey 2nd
 - **Board Vote:** Alexandra asked if there were any objections; no objections.
- The minutes will be sent to the OKNA again with suggested changes from Brad. Marci will continue to take minutes and submit to the appropriate people.

Air Toxin Letter

- Grant Phillips & Greg Bourget presented the Air Toxin Letter for approval to OKNA, this letter will be sent to Union Pacific Railroad.
 - Motion: Chris T moved to resend this letter to Union Pacific, Cynthia 2nd
 - Board Vote: Alexandra asked if there were any objections: no objections

Homeless Letter

- Chris presented the history behind the letter OKNA has proposed sending to the City of Portland & Joint Office of Homeless, asking them to keep their promise of moving Hazelnut Grove and providing shelter to the homeless people that are living in the camps throughout Portland.
- The land that HG is located on was bought with Federal transportation money and used as a staging area for the Fremont Bridge. Because the land was bought with Federal Transportation funds it can only be used for transportation.
 - Several neighbors expressed interest about the letter and the timing of the letter.
 - Several Board members discussed their concerns about the hazards to the camp and about the city's need to keep their promise to the neighbors. Several agree that there are concerns about the timing (being winter) & Covid 19. Brad asked that we add each commissioner's name to the letter.
 - *Motion: Chris T moved that we send the letter adding all the commissioners names and a statement recognizing Covid 19 and weather concerns. Brad 2nd*
 - *Board Vote: Alexandra asked if there were any objections, no objections*
 - *Motion passed*

Member Engagement

- Brad questions how we get more neighbor engagement in OKNA. We currently have a few people coming from Nextdoor but how do we engage more of our community. We want to be more active in recruiting the community. Facebook was recommended as an avenue for meetings notices, maybe posters in the neighborhood?
- Doretta told us that we are using a lot of the avenues available to us to connect with the community.

Weekly Workload Update

- Cassie asked for input for weekly updates. Chris was good about getting items in the weekly notes. Cassie will need help from us to get information out to the community. Just a couple of lines, maybe a link to more information.
- Send info, stories ideas to: Overlookna@gmail.com

Treasurer Update

- \$27,080 in account, about \$9000 is in the Patton Square park account, about \$1680 came in and we spent about \$3081 from 7/1/19-6/20/20

General Meeting

- Any agenda items for January 19, 2021?
 - Lee does not have an update from Adidas on the parking, he will be attending another meeting soon.
- Community members can email us with suggestions for agenda items.

Board Updates

- Homeless: Casey gave John Lewis email for those that are having problems with camps or campers. Casey also attended a North Portland Doers meeting with other neighborhoods to help provide information, services and suggestions on the homeless issue.

- Land Use: Brian looked up the Interstate Corridor Urban Renewal Area, they are putting more funds into the program. An increase of \$67 million, \$40 million to housing the rest to the economics/business community.

Guests

- Matt Glazewski From Commissioner Mapps office told us his office is in charge of Utilities, Environmental Services, Water Bureau, 911 and Travel Portland
- Kristina Johnson from Commissioner Hardesty office told us she has PBoT, Fire, Office of Community & Civic Life, Fire & Police Disability Retirement.

Adjourned 8:18

Next Meetings

- Board Meeting: February 2, 2021 (6:30–8:30pm) – zoom
- General Meeting: January 19, 2021 (6:30–8:30pm) – zoom