



Board Meeting
Monday, October 13, 2014
7:00-9:00 PM
Whole Foods, 2nd floor conference room

MINUTES

Meeting commenced at 7:04 p.m. on October 13, 2014 in 2nd floor Conf. Room of Whole Foods

Board Member Attendees

Clay Veka
Diane Benson
Rachel Lee
Randy Ward
Cara J. Frey
Michelle Ganow-Jones
Dave Paumier
Erin Brasell
Paul Hustedt-Krasnove
Lauren Gross
Bill Youngren

Guests

Carrie Czarnecki
Julie Fakuda
Elizabeth Specht from Urban Forestry, City of Portland
Malka Youngstein from Friends of Trees
Officer Jimmy Pryce

Approval of September Meeting Minutes

Rachel moved to approve September Minutes. Michelle seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report

Review of October 2014 Treasurer's Report (see attached).

Presentation re: Trees

Friends of Trees presentation by Malka Youngstein, Sabin Neighborhood Coordinator

- Planting date is February 28, 2015 (Holladay Park Church hosts the event).
- Need help with reaching out to neighbors who have room to plant trees.
- Last day to create an account is January 26, 2015 and last date to order tree is February 9, 2015.

Urban Forestry presentation by Elizabeth Specht

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- Street tree inventory
- Two year commitment from neighborhood team; application due January 15, 2015; early May is training
- Summer 2015 is when teams will be out counting trees (4 Saturdays produce complete data re: street trees)
- November 8, 2014: Tree Summit

Sabin School and Dogs Discussion

- How can we reduce this issue?
- Contact Portland Parks to see if they will put up doggy bags
- Is there some sort of positive reinforcement that we can offer?
- Increase communication so that people cannot plead ignorance
- Talking points
- Have kids make signs

Comprehensive Plan Discussion

- Rachel presented on the comprehensive plan that the City is going to implement.
- Seeking approval from the Board presenting SCA's comments on policies. Encourage preservation of housing stock and discourage demolition.
- Michelle moves for Clay to sign letter and send it. Lauren seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Dave motioned that Rachel become the NECN liaison to NECN LUTC. Michelle seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Orchard Liaison Discussion

- We need a liaison desperately.
- Bill Youngren volunteered to help but still looking for a liaison.

Grants Allocation Discussion

- We have \$575 to allocate to community groups.
- In the past we have given money to Fresh Exchange and Sabin School Auction. There is a need for donations for snacks for the SUN program and Sabin School campus improvements.
- Paul motioned to fund \$500 to Sabin School campus and \$200 for Fresh Exchange unrestricted donation with an evaluation in Spring 2015 for additional donations; Dave seconded it; Motion approved .

Sabin CDC Letter of Support Discussion

- House in Sabin that needs \$240,000 in improvements. Asking us to send a letter to City of Portland to receive money from the \$20,000,000 fund.
- Cara motioned to send letter in support of CDC receiving \$240,000 from \$20,000,000 fund; Michelle seconded the motion; motion approved.

Lauren Gross is Chair of Events Committee.

Community Potluck on November 3 at Cara Frey's house.

Erin Brasell volunteered to help with SCAN delivery; Dave, Michelle and Cara volunteered to help as well with delivery.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm.

October 2014 Treasurer's Report

SCA Treasurer's Report - October 2014				
Date	Description	Deposit	Withdrawal	Balance
9/9/2014	Previous Balance			\$5,349.47
6/30/2014	Cleanup Funds Received	\$735.18		\$6,084.65
9/18/2014	SCAN Ad (Suzanne Kinavey)	\$100.00		\$6,184.65
10/12/2014	Scavenger Hunt Printing		\$18.90	\$6,165.75
10/12/2014	SCAN Printing		\$260.15	\$5,905.60
10/12/2014	Communications Fund Reimbursement	\$260.15		\$6,165.75
	Total	\$1095.33	\$279.05	\$6165.75

October 2014 Committee Reports

Communications Team Report

September 18, 2014

Attendees: Diane Benson, Clay Veka, Erin Brasell, Susan Goracke, Jeanne Duncan

The team welcomed a new member, Jeanne Duncan, who lives across the street from Susan, participates in the Sabin Bee Friendly Garden project, and is a professional copy writer and editor. We are so happy to have her on the team!

Our new SCAN editor, Erin Brasell, said that her first month as editor went fine, thanks to everyone helping out with determining content and writing articles. Originally, we had planned to meet monthly to help Erin determine the content for the next SCAN, but Erin indicated that it had worked out well doing that by email, so we decided to go back to our every-6-weeks meeting schedule. We'll meet again in early November.

The team discussed the frequency of publication, specifically whether we should publish every 2 or 3 months instead of every month. We also talked about staying with 9 issues, but taking a break in March or April, instead of July or August. That way, there would still be 3 months where we don't publish, but they would be more evenly dispersed throughout the year. The team asked Erin to think about it and let us know if she'd like to change the publishing schedule.

We discussed topics for the October and November issues and assigned articles to various team members.

Erin reported that she had not received the ad from Suzanne Kinavey yet, and said she would follow up. If we don't receive the ad on time, we'll fill the spot with a small news item. We've billed Suzanne for 4 months of advertising but haven't received payment yet. Diane reported that the 2014/2015 Communications Plan was approved by the board. She will get Clay and Adrienne's signatures on the document and submit it to NECN, then we will be able to submit receipts to NECN for reimbursement, up to \$1000.

Lauren Gross is now set up to post to the Sabin Facebook page, and has posted twice. The team is pleased to have her help in gleaning interesting news and sharing it with the neighborhood. This will be especially helpful when Diane is traveling.

The team discussed which businesses to profile in SCAN, and reviewed the ones listed on the Sabin Business Directory. Several on the list are moving or have gone out of business. Diane will ask Michelle to remove them from the list.

We're increasing our online presence - we now have 258 "likes" on Facebook and 185 members on Nextdoor.

We often meet on Wednesdays, but we decided to switch to Monday, Tuesday or Thursday because Erin and Jeanne have other commitments on Wednesdays. Diane will send out a Doodle poll to schedule the next meeting.

Land Use and Transportation Committee Report

October 2014

We will be commenting in favor of an ADU proposal at 4604 NE 21st.

There will be an ABC's of Land Use workshop on October 18, 9 AM to 1 PM, at NECN. Preregistration is required.

We are drafting a letter on the Comp Plan for the SCA board. There are three more Comp Plan hearings: October 14, October 28, and November 4.

There is a group called United Neighborhoods for Reform that is organizing to advocate to City Council and its advisory committees about the changing City Code to respond to the demolition concerns. At present, they are focusing their efforts on a petition to the advisory committee that is developing recommendations for BDS. The LUTC thinks that the petition makes a number of good points. It can be signed online at: <http://tinyurl.com/oggcctd>.

The NECN LUTC is considering recommending to City Council that single-family zoning be changed to allow "flats"—having what appears from the outside to be a single-family home to be broken up into apartments inside. We will express to the NECN LUTC that we don't want this option to encourage even more demolitions, and thus we would favor allowing it only for conversions of existing dwellings, not in new construction following demolitions. We also believe it would require a minimum size of building to begin with.

Sabin Orchard Report

October 2014

I have asked Cara Farr if she would be willing to consider being the Orchard Steward. She hasn't decided yet.

The new Portland Fruit Tree Project community orchard coordinator is Gareth Stacke. Like the previous community orchard coordinators, he is an Americorps volunteer and will likely only be in the position for one year.