

Board Meeting
Monday, March 13, 2017

MINUTES

Meeting commenced at 7:08 p.m.

Board Member Attendees

Clay Veka
Rachel Lee
Erin Brasell
Henry Moreno
Shayan Rohani
Lauren Gross

Guest

Sean Green

Items were added to the agenda re Commissioner Eudaly and summer activities.

Minutes

Lauren Gross moved to approve the February minutes without changes, Shayan Rohani seconded. Minutes approved unanimously, with Henry Moreno and Erin Brasell abstaining.

Treasurer's Report

Clay Veka presented the Treasurer's Report in Adrienne Cohen's absence. Three SCAN advertisers have paid, and there were two expenditures. We might ask Adrienne in the future about options for moving payment of the SCA website subscription fee from a former board member's credit card to another payment method.

Request to move LUTC meeting time

LUTC requests that its meeting time be moved back to the first Wednesday of the month, if meeting space is available at Whole Foods. The meeting time immediately after the monthly Board meeting is not working well for LUTC. LUTC now can't typically discuss items before the Board meets, and the new time is not attracting more participation. Shayan Rohani moves that the LUTC meeting time be moved to the first Wednesday of every month, subject to availability of space at Whole Foods. Erin Brasell seconds. Approved unanimously.

Comment on PBOT project priorities

LUTC recommends that SCA comment in support of PBOT prioritizing the 7th/9th Greenway project for Transportation System Development Charge funding. The decision about whether it will be 7th or 9th has not yet been made by PBOT and this stage of public feedback does not address that issue. The Board reviewed a draft comment letter. There is also some interest in adding the Failing Greenway project to the comment. Erin Brasell moved to approve the LUTC letter as written with the addition of the Failing Greenway project, Henry Moreno seconded. Lauren Gross expresses a concern about changing or focusing the use of a neighborhood street towards one group of users, without having discussed it with Sabin residents. Clay Veka anticipates that there will be more

outreach to affected neighbors if the project were to be funded. Motion approved unanimously, with Lauren Gross abstaining. Rachel Lee will revise the letter as directed and submit it to PBOT.

General Meeting plan

Following up on the discussion at the last SCA meeting, Clay Veka invited Manuel Padilla to facilitate a conversation on The Space Between Us: Immigrants, Refugees, and Oregon at the Sabin General Meeting in May. She shared SCA's Guiding Principles and recent projects and grants with him and expressed the SCA Board's desire to support our neighbors in proactive and welcoming ways. Clay would like us to talk through what we hope to get out of the General Meeting conversation. We would like to explore ways in which Sabin residents could concretely help welcome immigrants and refugees. If more detail can be developed this week, it could be included in the April SCAN article. Clay will follow up with Mr. Padilla to get specifics on how he plans to stage it, a photograph, and what the event will be like for participants. We might invite questions from the Sabin neighborhood in advance, for discussion at the event. We could distribute on social media & post a color flyer, and there are the regular General Meeting signs. For food at the meeting, each Board member will bring an international dish to share. Clay will request that NECN run the elections. Adrienne will not run for Treasurer again, so we need someone to take that role. Lauren is also likely to be stepping off the SCA Board next year.

Clean-up

Lauren Gross reports that BPS will step into the role that Metro had last year, so there will not be vouchers this year. But there will be the same list of items that were not accepted last year. So there will be limited re-use options. Henry Moreno suggests contacting Veterans of America. The event will need volunteers on May 20, from 10 AM to 2 PM. We will promote the Clean-up with email, Facebook, SCAN, signs, flyers, and website, and those should be our typical outreach tools for events generally.

NECN newsletter distribution in Sabin

NECN did not want to compete with the SCAN, but is willing to distribute within Sabin. Sabin is now on NECN's distribution list, and most Sabin addresses should receive the NECN newsletter.

Invitation to Commissioner Eudaly

We extended an invitation to Commissioner Eudaly to address the problems of vacant and rental properties that become nuisances. Her staff have not indicated that she is available, but they are suggesting that liaisons from the Office of Neighborhood Involvement and/or Bureau of Development Services could come talk to us. After discussion, the Board is interested in having them attend the April or June meetings. Rachel will follow up with them.

Summer SCA Opportunities

SCA in the past has done National Night Out, and Clay Veka would be interested in SCA coordinating it again. The Board agrees it would be worth it, so Clay will reserve the field.

In the past, there has been a Sabin Yard Sale promotion. Erin will post an announcement about it for the second-to-last Sunday in June.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.