

Sabin Community Association Board Meeting, 8 October 2012, Whole Foods Conference Room Upstairs, 7 pm. Fourteen people present. Hector Roche presiding.

Minutes of the September meeting were unanimously approved.

The **Treasurer's Report** was approved unanimously. Naomi again requested budgets from the committees. She will put together a budget for the Board.

Land Use and Transportation Committee report, David Sweet.

Green Streets Project still moving slowly through the system. Construction will be this winter or next spring.

Friends of Last Thursday has progressed to owning a permit for the event last month. They would welcome a Sabin representative on their steering committee, but no one on the Board volunteered, though Bill Youngren will look into it. FoLT also needs volunteers for the events. Next year every vendor and musician will have to register. Vendors will have to pay a fee. FoLT may prohibit amplified music.

Rachel looked into designating Alberta Street a "special alcohol impact zone," under which rules appropriate to the situation could be devised by OLCC. Gwenn reported that there is significant doubt whether the OLCC has the authority to designate such zones, because the Oregon Department of Justice believes that the relevant OLCC regulations are invalid. An overhaul of the OLCC is under consideration by the state, in any case. Don said that law enforcement officers have some independent actions available to them. David said action in favor of a special alcohol impact zone is premature given that FoLT is stepping up.

Gwenn has heard from King about their **yard sale**. She hopes to hear from Concordia. A \$30 or \$40 participation fee would be required to make it worthwhile.

Sabin Triangle. EWB. Conversations with Engineers Without Borders indicate that it is likely that the Portland State University first and second year engineering student members of the organization will use various

methods, apart from core sampling (which turns out to be a possible threat to the structures) to locate the Triangles' underground structures, information needed before construction can begin. A dirt suction technique at the sight of the trees is a possibility, as is underground imaging. This would take the rest of this calendar year. Seniors in the program would then carry out a "capstone project" that would further the project during the spring, ending in June, during which they would create a Request for Proposal and a much more defined budget. PBOT has been informed. In the meantime, the Bureau of Maintenance will deliver new waste cans to the site. Options for emptying the cans is being explored.

Hector said the timing fits very well with NECN, which is exploring its options concerning fiscal sponsorship.

Cara reported that the sewer work being done on 15th and 16th at Beech should solve the serious flooding problem there.

NECN Board news. The bylaws have been revised to give the Executive Committee more powers in governance. NECN now has a school committee (Joshua is co-chair). SCA looks forward to being in closer contact with the PTA. NECN tries to send the agendas of all committees out to the associations, so everyone can follow what is happening.

Rachel reported on a recent meeting of the Sabin Orchard committee.

SCA discussed plans for the 15 October general meeting, at which the Portland Playhouse will present scenes from upcoming plays and feature their high school Shakespeare project.

Naomi has a neighbor who is concerned about aircraft noise. The neighbor will attend an upcoming Citizens Noise Advisory Committee meeting. Someone had come to the Board from Port of Portland to say that the noise would be bad over the summer because of a shift of runways but would abate by the end of October. Don Rouzie says the shifts are insignificant. Hector says some changes have been made and encourages further exploration.

Shoshana handed out fliers concerning Energize Northeast, a project in cooperation with Neil Kelly Company, which will donate \$150 for each energy audit done on a home in the area, the money to be in turn to be used

for further community projects by NECN. Seminars are scheduled for October and November.

Bill made a motion to thank Shoshana for stepping up at NECN as the new Executive Director. Unanimous.

Small grants applications are due. They are lower than last year.

Don reported that a tagger group called STC is active in his neighborhood, hitting street walls and a neighbor's new fence. Is there anything to do? Shoshana says there is still a hotline graffiti hotline and he should talk to Crime Prevention.

School Bond. Joshua made a motion to support the school levy. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Conable