

Sumner Neighborhood Association

General Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2015

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm. Chair was Yvonne. Introductions were made around the room.

2. **Reviewed agenda;** Agenda accepted with changes.

Rochelle moved, Ron second, MSP

3. **Approval of Minutes** from August 18th as is.

Ron moved, Karen second, MSP

4. **Treasury Report:** balance is \$4,999.99 NOT \$9,999.99

5. **Officer** present was not from our area. There was no reporting for the neighborhood. Ronda made notes on reports from the neighbors to forward to Officer Boland.

6. **Guest Speakers**-Francesca Patricolo & Greg, PBOT (Portland Bureau of Transportation). They are currently in stage 2 of the Transportation System Plan (TSP) update, which is a layout of how to implement the policies, projects, and programs in the 2035 comprehensive plan. Stage 2 consists of: Comments on the discussion draft accepted through Nov 13, 2015. Sumner has 2 TSP plans in the area. The 2035 plan consists of implementation of the TSP update, maps, classifications, city codes, and measures. With the rise of parking issues, PBOT is working on on-street parking management, private parking (zoning code issues), downtown meter rate adjustments, and new residential parking permits.

Guest speaker – Logan Lauvray, from Friends of Trees told us that the Trammell Crow Company contracted with Friends of Trees to do the tree planting on the ODOT property by the freeway entrance ramp expansion. Logan has marked the location for the trees to be planted with a 25 ft. distance between each tree per ODOT requirements. We will have approximately 45 trees planted. The planting will be December 12, 2015. Friends of Trees will maintain the trees for the first 3 years. The trees that will be planted will have a base of about 2 inches in diameter and a height of about 8-10ft. The trees will become mature in about 40 years. Friends of Trees will need volunteers to help with the tree planting. Contact Ronda or Logan to volunteer.

Ronda made a motion to approve the proposed location of the trees and the kinds of trees that Logan had presented.

Ronda moved, Karen second, MSP

7. Crime-There was a vehicle broken in to on 90th and Sandy Blvd. Several things were stolen out of the car. Remember to take all valuables out of your cars when you park them and lock your car. There was some questions as to why we have some boots thrown up on the power lines in the neighborhood. Evan reported that he had a run in with a man that goes by “Grim” in the Rocky Butte area and Evan told him there was no camping in the area and the man became very verbally abusive. He **threatened Evan. Evan reported this to the police. Yvonne cautioned Evan as we don’t want to see him get injured in any way.**

7. Land Use and Transportation: Land use meeting tomorrow night, nothing to report right now.

8. Announcements & Updates: NNO event was a great success, lots of people liked the new set up. It seemed to keep people there longer. Some concerns were mentioned about the show cars were too accessible to children. Next year we may need to look in to roping off the cars so that they can just be looked at, not entered by others. Some people thought that with the tickets, there was going to be a raffle at the end. The tickets were so we could keep track of the number of people. Maybe, we will have a couple of prizes next year. People provided a lot of great food. Neighbors also would like to have some kind of musician there. We will have to put the word out for next year.

10. New Business: Yvonne asked if anyone had any ideas about guest speakers for the upcoming year. Some suggestions were: *Realtor about property values in the neighborhood, * Fire captain, * Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) about SAN lot property, * Radon speaker (Evan has this lined up already), *Neighborhood emergency response teams (NET), Ombudsman’s office.

11. One Minute Concerns:

Rochelle would like to get a neighborhood game night going, Rochelle and Joan will get together and talk about ideas and bring them to the neighborhood meeting and get that ball rolling.

Leon would like to get the litter patrol going again. Ronda and Leon will get a blurb in the newsletter and see if we can get some people interested in doing this again or at least bribe them with a free trash stick to clean up on their block.

Yvonne would like to update our neighborhood bylaws, maybe get a committee together in the next couple of months.

John announced that there is a house for sell across Sandy (address unknown). This house is priced at 1.2 million dollars. The lady has already had an offer and has not answered yet. This is a big piece of property (.39 acres). This would be great for a developer to come and build apartments with limited parking!

12. Raffle prizes (bought by Janet & Henry) were distributed. Thank you.

13. John made a motion to adjourn the meeting; 2nd by Ron; the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.