

Minutes of Beaumont-Wilshire Neighborhood Association Board Meeting: July 8, 2019

Attendance (Board of Directors): Tim Hemstreet, Karla Lenox, John Sandie, Barbara Strunk, Al Ellis, Kathy Campbell, Tim Gillespie, Gary Hancock, Rich Wyoma, Laurie Holtz, Deb Harris, Cliff Goldman

Neighborhood Members and Others Attending: Peggy Ellis; Amy Hamden, BBA.

Excused: Tim Gillespie, Kati Babinec

Absent: NA

Meeting called to order: At 7:00pm by Tim Hemstreet, President.

Minutes: June 10, 2019 General Meeting minutes approved as written. There was a short discussion regarding placing the minutes on the BWNA website in the near future.

Treasurer's Report: Report given by Karla Lenox, treasurer: As of 6/30/19 total cash and bank accounts: \$10,404.74. Accounts receivable: \$225.00. Expenses for Beaumont Middle School Sparrow Club prizes were more than planned since prizes went to three students instead of two. Check written to Kathy Campbell for \$160.00 to cover expenses.

Conflict of Interest Forms: All those present signed forms for neighborhood association board members. Barb Strunk will take signed forms to Central Northeast Neighbors Coalition office.

National Night Out Preparations: Tasks to prepare for picnic, Tuesday, August 6 were reviewed and assigned to board members. Kathy Campbell is the event manager for the picnic.

Office of Community and Civic Life 3.96 Code Change Process:

a. Discussion of proposed code changes: Neighborhood associations and coalitions have been cut out of the draft code language. Very few people representing neighborhood associations were on the Stakeholder Advisory Committee discussing code changes. Discussion was held at the BWNA board meeting as to why neighborhood associations were eliminated in the proposed code. City Council will vote on this proposal in late summer.

b. BWNA Draft Letter in Response: Discussion was held regarding content of letter and other strategies to inform city council members of BWNA's position on this issue. Ideas regarding what to put in the letter: 1) examples of neighborhood association activities to support the residents and businesses in the neighborhood; 2) suggest that other groups be added to the proposed code instead of replacing neighborhood associations; 3) what can the city and neighborhood associations do to increase outreach and inclusivity.

Tim Hemstreet and Al Ellis will draft a letter to City Council members, send out for review by board members, and send to City Council by next week. An article for the next BWNA newsletter will also cover this issue.

Neighborhood Engagement and Communication: suggestions by board members included:

1) A much bigger/capable neighborhood association email list is needed. Discussion was held about which email list system is best. Rich Wyoma will look into this. 2) The BWNA website needs a new configuration. Al Ellis, Jane Feinberg and Mario Caoile, website coordinator, will get together to discuss this. 3) Hand-deliver letters about the proposed city code change 3.96 to all residences and businesses in BW. 4) Get on the Civic Life email list to watch the schedule for City Council hearings. City Council testimony regarding this issue must be very organized. 5) Al stated that there will be an article regarding this topic in the next BWNA newsletter.

Transportation and Land Use:

a. Central Northeast Neighbors Update: no report: No meetings until September.

b. CNN Land Use Update: no report. No meetings until September.

c. Residential Infill Project: The City's proposed code changes passed the Planning and Sustainability Commission in April, 2019 by a vote of 5 to 4. The Oregon legislature has passed bills mandating much increased density in cities with more than 10,000 residents, and making lot splitting along underlying lot lines much easier.

Neighborhood Livability/Other Items

a. **Friends of Wilshire Park:** the play car in the toddler playground has been replaced thanks to the donation of \$15,000 by one neighborhood family. The house structure at the playground needs to be replaced so more donations are needed to cover costs. The city is doing the work to replace the play structures; the neighborhood needs to cover the costs. A Go-Fund-Me site has been set up on the Friends of Wilshire Park website.

b. **Movie in the Park Event Sponsorship and Invoice Approval:** BWNA has the invoice from the city, the cost of which we share with Alameda NA. The BWNA board approved payment of this amount of \$450.00 at the May 13, 2019 board meeting. The City is in charge of arranging for food vendors for the event. Tim Hemstreet will contact the city regarding food vendors.

c. **Newsletter Update:** no additional report.

d. **BBA and BWNA Collaboration on New Neighbor Welcome:** Amy Hamden reports planning and activities will start after Fremont Fest.

e. **Fremont Fest:** Amy Hamden reports volunteers are needed. There will be a beer garden set up in the Amalfi's parking lot instead of the traditional pub-crawl. Tim Hemstreet and Kathy Campbell will help staff the Beaumont Business Association's booth. The three winning Beaumont Middle School Sparrow Project student volunteers will be the grand marshals of the parade.

Meeting adjourned by President Tim Hemstreet at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Strunk, Secretary

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