

# Public Safety Advisory Committee Meeting

March 26, 2015

## Present:

Mary Weaver, Chair – Hector Campbell Neighborhood Association  
Linda Hedges – Secretary and Member At Large  
Pepi Anderson – Lewelling Neighborhood Association  
Chris Ortolano – Member at Large  
Angel Falconer – Member at Large  
Sue Richardson – Lake Road Neighborhood Association  
Megan Elston-Power – Island Station Neighborhood Association;  
Chief Steve Bartol – Milwaukie PD  
Battalion Chief (North) David Shermein – Clackamas Fire District #1

## Apologies:

Don Wiley – Linwood Neighborhood Association  
Ray Bryan – Vice Chair and rep of Historic Milwaukie Neighborhood Association

Kim Travis – Ardenwald-Johnson Creek Neighborhood Association did not attend

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The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Chair Weaver.

Chair Weaver asked for any changes or corrections to the January 22nd meeting minutes. There were no corrections made to the minutes. The minutes were approved by unanimous consensus.

## **Clackamas Fire District #1**

- Battalion Chief David Shermein distributed a brochure detailing information about the bond on the ballot in May (3-466) which they believe will raise \$29 million and will be used to fund new stations and equipment. Cost per household of \$300,000 value house will be about \$30/yr or \$2.50 per month. An existing bond of about the same amount will expire this year.

## **Milwaukie Police Department**

- Chief Bartol reported on his participation in the Chamber's Public Safety breakfast, which included discussion of the Happy Valley public safety bond, discussion of how AMR, Fire and Police work together and a recap of the year.
- April 11<sup>th</sup> is the Bike Giveaway fundraiser dinner, 6pm – 7:30pm at the Legion. \$8 per person at the door.
- April 25<sup>th</sup> is the Prescription Drug Turn In and Shred Day, 10am-2pm at the PSB. No charge but donations to the MPSF appreciated.

## **Monroe Greenway Project**

Chris Ortolano thanked Brett Kelter, Planning Department Asst. Planner and project manager, for coming to the meeting. Issues discussed were:

- There will be an additional public open house in late April
- The Open House held in March offered an opportunity for the public to review the first drawing of possible street treatments to slow traffic on Monroe. Public comments will be accepted until the proposed project goes to Council in June.
- Traffic data analysis is being done to investigate the impact of diverting traffic from Monroe onto alternative streets. Harrison is an arterial street designed to handle more traffic.
- No turns west from Hwy 224 onto Monroe and the traffic that would add to Washington and Harrison
- Use of diverters on 37<sup>th</sup> and/or 42<sup>nd</sup> and issues caused by diversion. Kelter suggested that diverters could be a last resort after trying other traffic calming measures. Fire department needs diverters to have cutouts that allow fire trucks to go through but not passenger vehicles. Data previously collected indicates the use of Monroe may be cut through traffic and not residents but Campbell residents have voted unanimously at their March meeting to oppose any diverters on Monroe. There are quite a few cul de sacs in the Campbell neighborhood which make it impossible to use an alternative street than Monroe to get through the neighborhood from east to west.
- Fire department said they would be opposed to the use of speed bumps but chicanes are not an impediment for their equipment
- Discussion of mini-roundabouts used in the design but Kelter said he did not believe the use of roundabouts will be part of the final proposal
- An alternative path for pedestrians and bicyclists from Campbell across the McFarland property and up Washington to Monroe has been proposed and is an option on the public comment sheets. There is a lot of support for this idea. Development of the McFarland property would need to include a public path but Kelter said he thought that was feasible.
- The Planning Department's coverage of this project includes the cost of various traffic calming under its Needs and Opportunities section
- Members encouraged to provide input on-line and encourage neighbors to attend the next open house

### **Sub-Committee Reports**

- **PMLR** – no report
- **Safe Routes to School** – Angel Falconer reported Linwood PTA members and SRTS supporters made a presentation to Council last month. Council voted on a resolution to support SRTS which will aid them in seeking financial support. Funding for SRTS comes from the Feds to the Regional level. Falconer said that Linwood's PTA has been active in gathering information on their neighborhood's problem areas for school access. She said PTAs at all the schools could participate in the same way; NDA representatives should contact their school's PTAs to suggest how they can participate.

- **Preparedness month** – to be discussed at April's meeting

**NDA Issues** – none

- Oregon Impact has webinars available to watch.
- Mary has ordered nametags for PSAC members to wear when attending meetings, which she feels will enable people to understand better who we are and what we represent. (\$7.50 each – Mary said she would pay for them since it was her idea, but members are encouraged to help her pay the cost.)
- Since we hope to increase public participation in the future by presenting various topics on public safety, Mary suggested we provide water bottles and snacks for those who don't have time first to have dinner
- Chief Bartol will come up with a list of topics we can schedule for the community education component in future meetings. Chris Ortolano suggested that public health safety or fire safety could be included (i.e. vaccinations). Chief Bartol mentioned this would help him by taking some of the pressure off having to come up with a new presentation every month. He or other officers attending the NDA meetings will mention this community education.

**Public Participation** – there were no members of the public in attendance.

**PSAC Education** – Members of PSAC were provided with an explanation of the MPD's policy on use of force by Detective Cereghino. Those who wished were then able to use the Milo Simulation video used for police training to experience various scenarios with shoot/don't shoot training.

Draft minutes pending approval at April 23, 2015 meeting.  
Submitted by Linda M. Hedges, Secretary