

Island Station Neighborhood Association – Oct. 2, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Staff, guests and presenters in attendance: JoAnn Herrigel, Councilor Hedges, Policeman Scott Guy.

1. **Minutes:** Minutes from the September 9, 2013 meeting were approved unanimously.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** The amount currently in the account is \$13,762.04; this includes \$5,000 earmarked for the park, so the expendable balance is \$8,762.04. \$350 has been allocated to emergency preparedness.
3. **Announcements:**
 - a. October 5th cleanup in the park
 - b. "Shake-Out" day of earthquake preparedness on October 17th
 - c. Pet first aid classes
4. **Police Report**
 - a. No noise complaints have been made regarding TriMet construction recently.
 - b. Two camps of homeless individuals set up down along the riverfront just south of Kellogg Plant; the police moved them along.
 - c. In other neighborhoods, Brookside-area has had small thefts from cars.
5. **Liaison Report:** JoAnn is sadly leaving city employment; Island Station will need a new liaison. Moving Forward Milwaukie (formerly Commercial Core Enhancement) is having an open house on October 3rd; it will also have two interactive meetings on October 28th and 29th from 6-8pm at different locations (Milwaukie High School Commons and Public Safety Building). The public is invited to provide their input. The TSP open house is on October 15th; a draft is online on October 9th. A copy at city hall is available for review. In weather-related news, the city also provides free sandbags at the Public Works Facility; more details are on the city website (search "sandbags"). Finally, the city is setting up a new pothole hotline (971 563-1879, PotholeHotline@milwaukieoregon.gov) and a meeting on murals will be held on October 10th with possible code revisions to be made over the winter.
6. **Infini Works:** The NDA has been approached by a fellow who is founding a group called Infini Works. He also recently presented to PSAC. It is a Clackamas County youth-based restorative justice program. They plan to offer under resourced people help with miscellaneous work. Groups of boys who need to get minor infractions expunged from their records will be offering supervised help with yardwork and other miscellaneous items. Infini Works is seeking referrals – they are apparently insured by Clackamas County as well.
7. **Reports from Committees and Boards:**
 - a. Moving Forward Milwaukie: Alicia will need an alternate for the October 21st meeting.
 - b. Leadership NDA draft letter: (Karin read the draft letter that NDA Leadership put together to send to City Council that advocates for a greater role for the NDAs and would require committee/board members to report back to their NDA on their activities periodically. Leadership is seeking NDA co-signers. Cindy explained a bit more about the background.) Some NDA members expressed concern about forcing board committees to attend more meetings. Alicia suggested that the NDA Leadership group could be a meeting forum to

report back. Staff time was reviewed for the proposal (as some city staff would have to attend more meetings in the evenings) though NDA members agreed that practically speaking, some staff may end up working over 40 hours a week if they're also expected to be at work at 8 or 9 am in the morning, too. Importantly, committee members should be thanked for their service – that piece is missing from the tone of the letter. NDA members suggested that email reports might be one option in lieu of in-person attendance, provided that NDAs could ask follow-up questions. Overall, the NDA members present did not entirely concur with the tone and content of the letter. Jo Anne said that Leadership will be gathering feedback and making revisions.

- c. Time capsule: Cindy relayed that the NDA has been asked for its support for a time capsule, 50th celebration of Oak Grove. The NDA would be working with kids to tell them about how our neighborhood is changing so it can be memorialized in the time capsule. Other groups are participating, such as History Detectives. Cindy would like to offer capsule and financial support and asked what number the NDA would be comfortable with. Eric and Alicia mentioned that in-kind support may be a good place to start; a neighbor artist, Jim, may be a resource. Cindy said that principal turnover may be causing some of the lack of detail on budget for the overall project; she will try to get more concrete figures.
 - d. PSAC: City police will provide a report on the state of policing to PSAC on October 17th. There are currently city staff openings for an engineer, assistant city development, a planner, and two openings for police are being held pending the outcome of the bond measure. Jo Anne encouraged folks to attend. A man escaped the Johnson Creek facility earlier this fall; he was found and brought to a more secure facility. PSAC also approved another “smart” speed sign and expected it to cost \$5-\$7,000.
 - e. CAC: TriMet did not renew their contract for underground digging work; Cindy highlighted it to the neighborhood as she did not want it to exclusively land on city shoulders. Bus connectivity may also be cut after the opening of light rail.
8. Adjourned at 8:20pm.