



LEWELLING NDA MEETING MINUTES

February Meeting

Held

Wednesday 02-10-2015 from 7:08 pm to 8:32 pm

**at the Lewelling Elementary School Library
5325 SE Logus Road, Milwaukie, OR 97222**

Attendance:

Current NDA Staff:

Chair: Bryan Trotter
Vice Chair: Paul Klein
Secretary: Kimberly Lehmann
Treasurer: Howie Oakes
PSAC Rep: Pepi Anderson

Guest Speakers:

Sergeant Tom Broomfield
Jason Wachs
Evan King & students from Rowe
Counselor Powers was scheduled – but did not make it.

Sign-in Sheet:

Dave Stratton, Bill Clark, Jay Evans, Pat Sweeney, Lisa Lashbrook

Refreshments –

Pizza and Soda (Thanks Bryan)

Note – Ray is sick tonight – but says “hello”

Police Report – Sergeant Tom Broomfield:

Sergeant Broomfield started by passing around a handout for [Tim Salyers](#). The handout described a “habitat code change” being considered by City Council. If you have any input please contact Tim as he is the [Code Compliance](#) Coordinator. He can be reached by phone (503) 786 7409 or [email](#).

Sergeant Tom Broomfield reiterated past comments by Chief Bartol regarding the number of new hires and the status of the force.

Save the date – presented by Sergeant Broomfield:

Officer of the Year Dinner – SOLD OUT

Thursday February 26, 2015

6 pm reception & dinner at 7 pm at the [American Legion Hall](#)

Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday April 11, 2015

6 pm at the [American Legion Hall](#) in Milwaukie

Cost \$8 at the door to benefit the

[Milwaukie Police Department Bike Giveaway](#).

(Prescription) Drug Turn-In and Document Shred Event

Saturday April 25, 2015

More details to come (last year it ran from 10 am to 2 pm)

As a reminder – there is a drug drop off box inside the safety building that can be used any time during normal business hours to drop off expired and unwanted prescription drugs in pill form (no liquids or syringes). The Public Safety Building is located at 3200 SE Harrison Street.

COMMUNITY QUESTION:

There was an incident at the schools last week – can you provide details?

Last Tuesday (Feb 3) there was a “residential robbery” downtown. As a result Milwaukie Elementary, Waldorf and Milwaukie High were alerted to perform a “lock out”.

What is the difference between a lock out and a lock down?

Lock Out: School goes on as normal – but the gates around the school are locked – preventing anyone getting in and to ensure the safety of the students

Lock Down: School stops – classroom doors are closed and all students are accounted for. This is used if there is an issue happening on school grounds.

This is new language and the police are working with schools to communicate the differences. This is only the second year of using the term “lock out”

Can you tell us more about yourself?

My name is Tom Broomfield, I began my career in 1994 (going on 21 years). I am normally stationed upstairs with the detectives working as an investigation supervisor

How many female officers work in MPD?

There are 6 or 7 female officers – some are new (in training). Officer Ulli Neitch is a female “patrol” officer, and Crystal Hill is being honored at the upcoming dinner.

PSAC

The Public Safety Advisory Committee approved a grant request to provide the police department with \$1000 to spend towards a joint program targeting sexual exploitation as well as to help defray the cost of purchasing another speed enforcement sign.

Reminder that as Chief Bartol said previously – the police department will NOT be offering the “citizens academy” however there will be some educational classes held at the PSAC meetings. As a reminder – [PSAC](#) meetings are open to public attendance – so if you are interested in any of the educational classes be sure to keep an eye on the city’s [PSAC page](#) for future meeting dates.

Sergeant Broomfield offered up the following information:

The police will probably offer a Use of Force Class discussing the constitution, case law and why the police do what they do. Another possible class would be an “overview” of the police department. They did one like this for the city council a bit ago – providing an overview of responsibilities for each job description and discussing what kind of calls each position is suited to handle. Likely such classes would be slated to start in March or April.

PSAC also hosted a discussion about the use of body cameras. At this point in time there is too much red tape and too many legislative issues for the Milwaukie PD to jump into using them. (One big issue is public record retention

There will be a “chief’s conference” held in the early Fall of 2015 – and it is expected that there will be many vendors for body cameras at that event. [Chief Bartol and Captain Dye](#) will attend this event where they will be able to assess the pros and cons of various different systems.

NEW GRANT REQUEST – 1 of 1 – Food for Success Program at Rowe

Evan King, a social worker at Rowe Middle School, along with 2 students (Chole Clark & Tyler Lenz) presented a request for \$500 to be used to:

“Buy healthy snacks and fund the Guest Account at Rowe Middle School”

The snacks cost \$0.17 each – and they serve 600 daily. They have been able to bring the cost down from \$14,000 two years ago to \$9,000 last year thanks to donations from Clackamas Service Center, Bob’s Red Mill and the Oregon Food Bank.

Last year the presentation focused on “ending school hunger” – this year they have rebranded their theme as “Food for success”. The grant money they received last year (\$500) paid for 5 days of snacks.

Last year the program spent \$10,000 on snacks given to kids to fill the hunger gap that occurs after lunch and before the end of the school day (4pm). This does not include the money spent to fund the “guest account”.

Tyler & Chole spoke about a studying the effects of being poor on students and what they see as students at Rowe.

Rowe has 5 programs that help to make sure that kids aren't hungry:

- 1 – Free Breakfast
- 2 – the “share” table – where sealed food items can be re-distributed
- 3 – “serving seconds” – this is a pilot program working with the county & food services to get the food in the hands of the kids and not thrown in the trash
- 4 – “Guest Account” – a monetary fund that any kid can access if they cannot pay for the full price of their lunch
- 5 – “Snack Program” which provides an afternoon snack to help kids make it to the end of the day.

Evan ended her presentation with the story of “Roxy” a true & “typical” story of a child age 11 in the 6th grade who is being assisted by the “Food for Success” program.

COMMUNITY QUESTION/COMMENT:

This is a great program and we as an NDA contributed last year.

Individual members of our community also indicated that they give on a personal level.

“We appreciate that the kids came to the meeting” – it is outstanding that the kids are involved and that they show great courage in coming out to speak to “us” adults.

Do you have a target for fund raising?

It is estimated that \$12,000 would be needed this year. Any extra money is used to buy binders & school supplies. This target is less than last year.

Do you still do back-pack buddies?

No, not really – because middle schoolers are “too cool” for that.. but also Rowe doesn't have a partner for back-pack buddies. Although GracePointe Church still does support that program and they do support Rowe by bagging up large scale snack donations from Bob's Red Mill into small individual sized portions.

Our goal is to connect families to resources so that the kids don't have to be responsible for picking up food.

Lisa Lashbrook invited Evan King to connect with the [Community Garden Program](#) which offers a scholarship to help families grow their own food.

City Update – Presented by Jason Wachs

Grady is at the Lake Grove Meeting – Jason is the new program coordinator for the city of Milwaukie (he replaces Beth, who happened to replace him previously).

Jason's job is to work with NDA's, handle recruiting for boards and commissions, handle publicity for the boards and commissions and help out with community events such as the Umbrella Parade and our Winter Solstice Event. His office is in City Hall – to the right (in the mail room). Although his door is locked – you can knock on his window any time.

ADOPT –A –ROAD PROGRAM:

Public Works, Mitch and Jason have met and they will try to push this forward. Hopefully there will be details next month. They will be working on a draft – but the goal is to get all the NDA's to adopt a road ... what that may look like is having the city create a kit and having the NDA be in charge of it – any suggestions are welcome.

It's important to note that the goal is not to overwhelm Public Works – so they may only identify one road and do that for a while to see how it goes before adding more roads.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

Many terms are ending March 31 – and the city council wants to interview all the new candidates. This has kept Jason very busy – but once the interview process is done he'll have more time.

COMMUNITY QUESTION:

Regarding the Adopt –A –Road .. could that include the creek?

Jason doesn't see why not – as long as the trash was put in a visible place for Public Works to pick up..

As a neighbor of the creek – we've seen some large items .. such as a wheelchair – we clean up the area and then 1 to 2 weeks later...

Johnson Creek Watershed Council (JCWC) does do an annual clean-up at the end of August – they usually provide dumpsters and clean from the Willamette all the way up to I-205. ([Link to 2014 announcement](#))

For landowners in the JCW area – JCWC has put together a [resource page](#) with information about becoming a JCW Steward.

Are we doing an neighborhood clean up this year?

Earth Day is April 18 – and [SOLV-IT](#) does sponsor many events (nothing on their [calendar of events](#) currently for Milwaukie.) Nothing was done last year – part of the problem is that this was Joanne's job but her position has gone unfilled – so there is no city staff to lead such an event.

MONROE STREET NEIGHBORHOOD GREENWAY

Jason Wachs indicated that the next [public workshop](#) will be on March 18 – which is a Wednesday. The city website just listed “March” – but I’m sure it will be updated soon.

MOVING FORWARD MILWAUKIE

Jason said that the 3rd meeting was Feb 10 and the next one will be on [Feb 24](#), the city website indicates the 24th is a meeting of the Planning Commission.

Per the city website there will be a [Public Event](#) on Thursday March 6th from 6 to 8 at the Milwaukie Presbyterian Church located at: [2416 SE Lake Road](#). The [agenda](#) is available online.

Paul was our link to this ongoing city project – but the meetings have been moved to Thursdays and he can no longer attend – is there anyone else who might be interested in attending and bringing back updates to us? If no – Paul will continue to follow it online but he just cannot attend the meetings.

The project really is heading towards the finish line. They are preparing text for city council to review for the zoning modifications downtown and the focus is moving to “Central Milwaukie”. The idea is to be prepared for any development that follows the light rail. The meetings will probably run through the fall (it has already been ongoing for a year and a half).

COMMUNITY QUESTION / COMMENT:

Why is the city pursuing this?

Even before light rail .. there were limitations of what could and could not be done and many of the zoning laws were “out of date” and “stifling” to investment.

This project is designed to help the commercial down town core and the “market place” to give it a greater chance to develop in a way that meshes with the goals of the city of Milwaukie.

We’re not talking about wetlands or residential or parks or anything that was “set aside” – only the zoning laws relating to the land use of commercial properties.

The goal is to make things more conducive to investors – they want and need clear definitions of what can be done and where. Previously there were some difficult areas where literally the zoning changed from one block to the next. This process is taking a holistic view to simplify things.

Also it is a proven fact that where light rail goes – so goes development. The private investment made has always been many times what was invested by public funds.

RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT PROGRAM

Jason brought up this topic to alert everyone that the planning department is in the process of talking to residents about parking permits. This is not yet a requirement. This is simply a way to have rules developed and in place in case it might ever be needed. You may hear more about this at the March 17 city council.

[VIETNAM MEMORIAL WALL Traveling Display](#)

The wall will be here July 23 to 26 at the [Milwaukie High School](#). Anyone interested in volunteering or if you have any questions you can send an email to: vietnam50@milwaukieoregon.gov or contact [Jason](#).

COMMUNITY QUESTION / COMMENT:

There was an article in the [Clackamas Review](#) about homeless Veterans and their right to military funeral.

When does light rail open?

It is scheduled to open on Saturday Sept 12.

Here are some internet links about the opening:

[Portland Milwaukie Light Rail Transit Project Oregonian - July 25, 2013.](#)
[Oregonian - January 21, 2015](#)
[METRO - Library PDF's on the project.](#)

A committee will be put together from the city to talk about what to do that day – there potentially may be a farmers market or something like it. There will be lots of opportunity to get people off the max and come into downtown. Trimet expects 40,000 people to ride that day. All light rail will be free on that day.

1 of 1 GRANT REQUEST – The VOTE -

Presented in January: Milwaukie Historical Museum

Discussion prior to vote:

The old research library is being brought out from a small storage area into the kitchen and to make space items currently on display are being boxed up. In addition they are cleaning and organizing the attic. The long term goal is to change the focus of the Museum to become a research center and to have displays that are organized and focused on things happening in Milwaukie.

The request on the table is geared to help with the start of this process - organization and storing of items so that the collections can be preserved and stored in a way that the items can be cataloged and accessed.

Pepi moved that we donate the requested amount of \$500

Lisa seconded it.

Paul abstained as he is on the Historical Society board.

The current balance for our NDA account is: \$7,363.84

Vote: 9 approved, 0 opposed, 1 abstained

Howie will make sure a check gets cut and next month we will vote on the ROWE grant request.

Additionally Greg writes an article for the Milwaukie Pilot every month.

MUSIC IN THE PARK

Now is the time to start talking about our big AUGUST event – the music series that we host every Wednesday night in August.

Nick is already getting emailed by bands and usually it is about this time that we approve a rough budget so that Nick can start working with it.

BUDGET FOR THIS PROGRAM:

After much discussion ...

Pepi motioned that we approved “whatever we did last year” – according to historical records the 2014 budget was \$5,000. The final expense for 2013 was \$5,325.57.

Howie seconded the motion for \$5000. Everyone agreed.

MUSIC LINE UP FOR THIS PROGRAM:

The next question proposed involved the Band Line Up.

Again after much discussion...

There were no “new” requests and there were some suggestions to again have “[Stolen Sweets](#)” and “[Norman Sylvester](#)” – although at least one person was not interested in Norman Sylvester.

It was finally decided that we should just have Nick come back to us with a proposed line up.

NICK HARRIS –

There was some discussion of how to compensate Nick and about searching for someone who actually lives in our district to “replace” him.

As a group we do not want Nick to feel that he is “stuck” doing this and we need to have someone “learn” from him. If anyone is interested in helping out with this project please contact [Bryan](#) directly.

Other New Business & Announcements:

Announcements:

Woodpecker Pizza downtown

The glass from the vandalism at the bus shelter was cleaned up (we think) by the city.

As a reminder – the Fire district is getting ready to put a bond measure on the ballot this summer. (They will give a presentation at PSAC in March).

We want to give a BIG thanks to MITCH and JASON for the enthusiasm that they bring to the city.

Lisa Lashbrook and park update will wait for one more month.

There are plots available at the Milwaukie Community Garden.

Bryan asked for \$50 to buy gift cards to Starbucks to use as a “referral reward” – Anyone who brings in a neighbor to the next NDA meeting will get a gift card. If that neighbor then comes to a second NDA meeting they will also get a gift card.

Lisa motioned to approve the request.
Howie seconded it.

Bryan will use the \$50 to get 10 x \$5 gift cards.

COMMUNITY QUESTION / COMMENT:

Is there anything in the monthly Pilot to explain what an NDA is?

Yes – there has been articles written in the past and maybe it’s time to print something up again.

LIBRARY EXPANSION TASK FORCE:

This group is waiting for the right election cycle.

Paul will bring in more information as it develops – but yes they are starting to plan a ballot measure for funding (which will be in the millions)

HUMAN POWERED REGATA

Paul took his idea to the city council goal setting session and he got very positive feedback. He is going to look into the idea and follow up with the due diligence needed for a river event. Paul hopes there will be more information to share over the next few months.

This news inspired much spirited discussion about possibilities and off topic questions about the various kinds of human powered water crafts.

Here are some links that may be of interest:

[HPWA – Human Powered Water Craft Association](#)

[Human Powered Boats](#)

[Human Powered Hydrofoils](#)

[Hydrobikes](#)

Raffle Drawing Held – Winner = Pepi Anderson– she won a gift card to Starbucks for attending this month’s meeting

8:32 pm – Meeting Adjourned (Motioned by Howi, Lisa Second)