



Island Station Neighborhood District Association

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Island Station NDA Meeting Minutes

July 20, 2022

Meeting was called to order by Charles Bird, Chair @ 6:38 p.m. The meeting was in person at the Grange with one person in attendance via zoom. Technical difficulties delayed internet connection until 6:55 p.m.

There were 7 neighbors in attendance, and Captain Robbie Graves for the Police report via Zoom and one person via phone. Proposal of additional agenda items from the membership: 3 items were added to the agenda.

This meeting had no door prize or food offered to see if the prizes made a difference in attendance; we will table a final decision on the food and prizes until April of 2023.

Prior Meeting Minutes Approval

Pam Denham moved to approve the minutes as written, Dave Tyler seconded the motion; motion approved.

Police report – as written by Captain Robbie Graves

Milwaukie PD is continuing our on boarding process for new hires and we have a total of 4 new officers, two fresh out of the Academy as of June, and two lateral officers we hired. They are in field training learning the city under the supervision of seasoned officers.

Technically that leaves us one officer short of being fully staffed, but we haven't entered into an agreement with Transit to put officers into that program once we get our new officers trained and able to work solo status. That means with hiring for transit and potential retirements coming up as our department is aging, we'll have ongoing hiring for some time.

Several officers have recently completed drone operator training and obtained certification to operate ours in the city. We haven't deployed them yet because we are still working on our drone policy regarding when we will and won't deploy them. Drones have been a very cost-effective way of assisting with firefighting and containment, disaster/ hazmat management along with search and rescue to include finding missing children or people suffering mental illness that wander away from their homes. It's a work in progress, so more to follow on that front.

Treasurer's report

Printed copies of the treasurer's report were passed around and read by the membership. Cash available for use is \$1,534.27, total outstanding commitments are \$13,700.00, expenses paid but check not yet cashed is \$200.00. This comes to a balance of \$15,434.27.



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Second vote

The second vote for the \$8,000.00 Spring Park bench, etc. set aside was passed with 7 yes and 2 no votes.

Land Use Committee

The land use committee members in attendance (2) discussed the current variance sent out by the City for a neighbor on Dove St. with the membership. The committee in attendance had no concerns about approving the variance.

Member introduced Topics to the agenda

Rebecca Banyas has stepped down from heading the street sign committee as she is no longer able to take it on. Originally it was Cid Blasé and Rebecca, and Cid has since moved away. Pam Denham will head this committee and has some photos of signs the City might accept for our neighborhood streets. It was discussed that since all the neighborhood skinny streets are 15 mph speed limits that all the streets in Island Station not already having signage should have a sign including the downhill slope of SE 26th Street.

Parking for Spring Park and Elk Rock Island – always a hot topic for the neighbors impacted by people driving into the neighborhood to access Spring Park and Elk Rock Island. The only access to Elk Rock except by boat is through Spring Park. The neighbors in attendance are concerned about the livability of the neighborhood with all the cars blocking driveways, mailboxes and the heavy use of the park, especially in warmer weather.

Day use fees for park use, limited parking hours, permit parking were all brought up again. There was much discussion but no conclusions. Captain Robbie Graves told us that we should call the non-emergency number for parking issues (503-786-7500).

ISNDA Committee, Board and Association Reports

Picnic committee update – Ashly looked into the bounce house rental, we have insurance to cover this. Her research showed it would cost about \$300 for the rental. Picnic committee needs to meet again soon to get out the postcards to the neighbors for a 'save the date'.

Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) – Pam Denham reported that she presented the safety concerns from the NDA last month and the committee said they would help us as they could, to talk to City council and try to move forward on correcting the issues that cause crashes on SE River Road and SE Sparrow at the top of SE 22nd.

At this point in the meeting the box fan that belongs to the Grange 'walked' itself off the counter and broke. JoAnn Bird moved to spend no more than \$50 to replace the fan, Charles seconded, all in attendance approved.

It was decided by the attending membership that the August Meeting would be held via zoom, with no in person meeting at the Grange.



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Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.