

Hector Campbell Neighborhood District Association Meeting

July 13, 2022

Courtyard at Chapel Theatre, 4117 SE Harrison St., with Zoom option

Attendees: Corinn deTorres, Samantha Swindler, Bonita Rand, Steve Rand, Sarah Smith, Emily Waugh, Darin Smith, Jessica Peterson, Wendy Wagner, Samantha Schneller, Sara Kaye Busickio, Mary Zellharie, (joining online): Erik Holm, Police Chief Luke Strait, Police Captain Robbie Graves, Rob Reynolds, Shanda Bogue, Shaunessy Campbell

Welcome and Introductions: Corinn began the meeting at 6:01 p.m. and we took turns introducing ourselves.

Review and approve May 2022 minutes: Emily motioned and Darin seconded approval of the minutes. Motion approved unanimously.

Milwaukie Police report: Chief Strait and Captain Graves reported the department is one position short of being fully staffed. Three officers are in training, so they aren't patrolling individually yet and there are still staffing shortages. They hope to begin training for officer-worn body cameras in the next weeks. The police department also has purchased several drones but are still developing policies around their use.

Rob reported that a resident (Erik) was hit by a car on Monroe Street. Erik said it was a minor contact, he was struck by the car's mirror but was uninjured. Still, both were concerned about safety during construction on the street. Rob was upset officers didn't ticket the driver for driving through a local assess zone.

Chief Strait said they would have needed to prove the driver hadn't come from within the construction zone, and he would have to talk to the officers who responded about why they didn't issue a citation.

Neighbors asked about the man who was shot and killed by sheriff's deputies in the neighborhood. Chief Strait said he had no updates to share and said officers are told not to speak about the investigation.

There were some questions about the notifications that went out to neighbors about the incident in the middle of the night. You can subscribe for these notifications online at <https://www.clackamas.us/dm/publicalerts>.

Financial report: Samantha Schneller reported we have \$8,800 in the bank, mainly the result of having few events during the pandemic. We will

use a good chunk of that on the upcoming neighborhood picnic. We discussed a budget for the upcoming fiscal year:

\$2,300 - grants

\$350 - meeting expenses

\$1,000 - marketing (mainly the picnic mailer)

\$3,000 - neighborhood projects/events

\$500 - admin (business license/survey monkey)

TOTAL: \$7,150 (leaves us some in reserves)

(Note that the community garden is self-sustaining with separate expenses and revenue.)

Wendy motioned and Emily seconded approval of the budget. There were 11 votes in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Events committee: Emily will have a booth at Porchfest locations in the neighborhood each Friday to get feedback on improvements people would like to see at Campbell school park. We have a food truck and a band booked for the picnic on Aug. 14 but still need volunteers. She is also looking for someone to provide a kids' activity like face painting or balloon animals. We considered ordering yard signs with a QR code that would take people to the NDA's website and promote the latest event we have coming up. We are planning to have another Halloween event at Homewood Park.

Public Safety: Jessica is our new public safety representative but hasn't attended a meeting yet.

Parks/Garden: Sarah said it's an active time for the community garden. We have 28 gardeners with a wait list.

Arts Committee: Samantha Swindler shared updates on Porchfest and a new mural going up at the post office. She said there is still mural funding available for local projects.

Land Acknowledgement Discussion: At the last meeting, Mary passed out printouts with several options for a land acknowledgement statement to be read at the start of meetings. There was some discussion about how we could take actions rather than just approve words, and

whether signage acknowledging Native people and plants would be appropriate at Homewood Park.

Sara motioned that we adopt the city's land acknowledgment statement with the understanding that we will continue to work on incorporating diversity and equity work in our NDA activities. Mary seconded. There were 11 votes in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.

Future meeting schedule: We announced the future meeting and events schedule as follows:

Aug 14: Picnic

Sept 18: NDA meeting 3-5 p.m.

Oct-Nov: Tree planting

Oct 31: Halloween event at Homewood Park

Nov 12: Neighborhood clean-up at 10 a.m.

Nov 27: Holiday market at Chapel Theatre

Jan 11: NDA meeting 6-8 p.m.

Mar 19: NDA meeting 3-5 p.m.

Apr 22: Neighborhood clean-up 10 a.m.

May 10: NDA meeting 6-8 p.m.

Other business: Samantha Schneller offered to write the blurb for the September issue of the Milwaukie Pilot newsletter, Sara offered to take October, and Emily offered to write for November.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.