November 10, 2015 Minutes, Kellogg Good Neighbor Committee Meeting. Kellogg Waste Water Treatment Plant, Milwaukie, Oregon

Committee Members in attendance: Dion Shepard, Carolyn Tomei, Charles Bird, Gary Klein, Neil Hankerson, Karin Power (arrived at 6:15 p.m.)

Staff: Greg Eyerly

Public: Jo Anne Bird, Milo Denham

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

Dion announced that this will be her last meeting as she is moving out of Milwaukie.

The October 13, 2015 minutes were reviewed. Gary moved and Neil seconded that the minutes be approved. The minutes of the October 13, 2015 were unanimously approved as written.

Charles gave a treasurers report saying the money was the same as last month with the exception that it increased by \$11000.

Dion initiated a discussion of things to be done with the remaining money --

- Kronberg Park
- Riverfront
- Lighting on the path
- Replacing trees
- Benches

There ensued a discussion on the lighting along the path. Carolyn felt it was a necessity. Dion noted that the parks are not lit at night. Gary liked the low bollard lights in Riverfront Park. Neil asked if we had an estimate of the amount lighting the path would cost. Charles noted there were hurdles with lighting – this is county property, not city property, perhaps the hours could be changed to increase the hours in the winter, and with lights, more people will be encouraged to use the park at night. Dion noted that City Council will need to be involved. Greg noted that WES is trying to reduce light at night for a number of reasons – reduce light pollution, save money in electric bills and that lighting is not a big deterrent as far as security goes. Dion noted that there needs to be a balance between the lighting and the wildlife and suggested Gary Parkin talk to the City about path lighting. Charles said the KGN Committee would need a motion to propose lighting and discuss budgeting.

Carolyn then stated that she felt any discussion about using any money for Kronberg Park needed to be secondary to odor control at the plant. She said she wanted the odor decreased before making any other commitments with the money. She asked for the timeframe from WES for covering the plant.

The group then started discussing odor control and how the money should be used for what purpose.

Gary said that our charge was to use WES \$1,000,000 first, of which there is about \$900,000+ left. The group wanted clarification about the sequencing for covering the plant, and how much it will cost. They thought that the \$900,000 would cover about half the cost. Charles felt that WES is stepping up with odor control, and the KGN Committee is doing other things with the EDU income stream.

Neil said that the business community has expressed an interest Kronberg Park being built. It is the first thing people see of Milwaukie when heading north on Highway 99, and it is the entry to Milwaukie from the south. The business community would like to see something better than is there now.

The group then discussed the Committee membership. Dion said Historic Milwaukie will be represented by only one member with her departure. The 'at large' position has been vacant since April.

Greg said that WES is looking to finalize the CIP in July, but that the sequencing will be done before that. They are meeting with engineers to make sure the process will work. The truck station for dewatering solids will happen for sure. DAF (dissolved air flotation) used to be more favorable to use with sewage, but it no longer is seen as useful. DAF is an odiferous process – it is mitigated by being sealed at this plant, but it is odiferous. The dewatering process will reduce the amount of waste leaving the plant by 7 or 8:1. The point made was than when the odor load from the DAF was eliminated the bio filters would work more efficiently to remove the remaining odors.

Much talk about sequencing of odor control events and much cross talk ensued.

The Chair noted that the KGN Committee odor money pays for only part of the cover over the basins. The whole cost was thought to be about \$1,300,000. KGNC has \$896,840 remaining of the odor seed money from the county. Charles said that the County needs to prioritize odor control first. However, it's important to keep moving forward with lighting and Kronberg at the same time. Gary noted that Riverfront Park was done concurrently with the tree planting. Neil wanted to find out what the City and City Council plans for lighting and the connectivity thru Kronberg Park. Dion proposed that the next Chair and Gary Parkin will need to work on a work plan. Charles thought that was a good idea. Carolyn did not want the bulk of the money spent in Kronberg Park, but wanted

the odor addressed first. Neil noted that Brown & Caldwell had a list of all the odor spots in the plant, and that there is not enough money in the EDU fund to solve all of them.

Karin arrived in the middle of this discussion.

Neil also noted that CH2MHILL had used the Brown and Caldwell data to find the best odor reduction projects for the dollar. The primary item was to extend the cover over the aeration basins. This is the approximate \$1.3 million item.

Dion wanted to discuss the Kronberg park plan. Karin then discussed two big grants the City Staff have identified that will be due a couple of months down the road and require approximately a 40% match. Charles said that the money for Riverfront is consuming about 60% of the ECU income stream, and by the IGA there is a limit of 20% available or approximately \$300,000. Karin said that the Staff thought we had a good chance of winning the grants – to fund the Kronberg develop project estimated at \$1,500,000. Neil brought up lighting in Kronberg that could be included in the project.

Charles thought all this should be taken to the NDA's for discussion.

Carolyn asked about the weeds along the River. The goats ate them down, but she wanted to know if WES was going to maintain it. She noted some spraying had been done, but it was only at the top of the bank. Charles said he'd like to talk to Gail Shalom about the as-built drawings for the tree planting and the invasive weed control. It was decided to invite her to the next meeting.

Greg Eyerly told the group that the county has the responsibility of controlling the invasive plants along the river bank. He would work with the facility team to implement the control measures on a timely basis. He was asked to report the plan at the next meeting.

Karin wanted to know if the Committee is interested in funding grants for Kronberg Park. She was given the OK to ask the Staff to pursue exploration of these grants. She offered to contact Gary Parkin to come up with a scope and an estimate for the development cost.

Milo noted that ISNDA has explored funding some improvements on Kronberg Park. He thought it was up to \$4000, and asked who would take on the project.

Neil thought the lighting ought to be the bollard type that is in Riverfront Park. Charles asked how long the lights were on at night. Gary thought they were on all night. The group wondered about asking the City to shut them off after a certain time, and do the same thing in Kronberg Park. Karin then gave a report on the River Health Advisory Board which meets this Thursday. Issues to be discussed include an Update governance and process violation which involves rate payers and burning solids. The County has determined that there is an impasse and has asked Oregon Solutions to help with resolution. Gladstone and Oregon City voted to separate and want direct control over the plant. West Linn doesn't want any increases. This discussion has been going on for 7 months.

Elections were held for the new Chair. Carolyn moved and Neil seconded that Charles take the position. It carried unanimously. Karin offered to help with the spread sheet / Treasurer position.

There was a brief discussion about finding an 'at large' replacement. Karin will talk to a few people she has in mind.

The meeting was adjourned at 7 p.m.

Charles Bird, Chair

Gary Parkin, City Liaison