

## **Historic Milwaukie NDA**

### **May 9, 2022 Zoom Meeting Minutes**

**6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

#### **Present:**

**Officers:** Chair, Rich Recker; Vice Chair and Land Use Rep, Val Hubbard; Secretary, Debbie Liptan; Treasurer, Michele Bertaux-Zabaglio

**Participants:** Ceci Denovi, Gary Klein, Molly Stein, Debra Enright, Ross Lehman, Tom Broomfield, Robert Massey, Chad Tucker, Dan Harris, Donna Baten, Carol Fuller, Donny Law

#### **Presentations & Discussions [6:45-7:45 p.m.]**

- Public Safety Notices - Sergeant Tom Broomfield joined us to share updates. The department is looking to fill 3 vacancies. They are planning to implement body worn cameras on July 1. Also, the city has funded a new position for mental health to be filled this summer.
- Community Announcements - Dan Harris, City of Milwaukie Events and Emergency Management Coordinator, joined us to share about a few upcoming events:
  - June 4 Pride event at 10 am at the South Downtown Plaza. The event will celebrate Pride with a festive gathering in the South Downtown Plaza (SE Washington St. & SE Main St.). Live entertainment and free ice cream will be provided. All are welcome. For more information, contact Equity Program Manager Jon Hennington at [henningtonj@milwaukieoregon.gov](mailto:henningtonj@milwaukieoregon.gov).
  - August 7, Carefree Sunday 11 am-4 pm. Carefree Sunday temporarily opens more than five miles of streets to people for a portion of a day by closing them to cars. The result is thousands of people biking, walking, rolling and connecting with the community. There are many ways to be involved, including: our NDA can adopt an intersection for the event; individuals can choose to volunteer their time; we can all help to spread the word. Visit this link for more info: <https://www.milwaukieoregon.gov/events/carefreesunday>
- Earth Day Report - HMNDA's Beautification Event - Debbie Liptan, HMNDA Earth Day Coordinator, reported about our NDA Event on Saturday, April 23. The event focused on cleanup and weeding on Main St, and planting some drought tolerant plants in specific areas that need a little help. We stayed within the allocated maximum expenditure of \$1000. 14 volunteers, including 4 children, participated! We are looking at various ideas for sustaining the work over time and will keep the neighborhood updated on future volunteer opportunities. We appreciated support from local businesses Cha Cha Cha (burritos), Wind Horse (\$1 off coupon), and Spring Creek (free drip coffee). Thanks so much for the work of the committee members: Val Hubbard, Michele Bertaux, Molly Stein, Debra Enright, Colleen

Rockwell, and Debbie Liptan, as well as significant support from our NDA Chair Rich Recker.

- Building Bridges - Summary of All NDA Discussion Meeting - Chair Rich Recker reported about informal cross-neighborhood discussions among various NDA leaders on May 2. The dialogue was wide-ranging, multi-faceted and eye-opening. Among many topics discussed:
  - Initiatives and activities that are well-aligned with the current Milwaukie Vision themes of Equity/Justice, Livability and Sustainability would benefit from some near-term collaboration, allowing us to learn how to work better together by working together on value-adding community projects. For example, Pride activities, Juneteenth, First Friday and Homecoming '22 among many others.
  - Strategic Funding Collaboration
  - Accessible and Meaningful Approach to Promoting Public Involvement/ Volunteerism, Advocacy for Development Projects and Policy Formation/ Prioritization
- AdoptOneBlock Updates - Rolled over to next month's agenda

#### New and Pending Grant and Partnership Requests:

- Milwaukie Emergency Services, K9 Corps - no presenter
- Milwaukie HS Basketball - Coach Donny Law shared about his basketball program and funding request. Chair Recker agreed to discuss further with Coach Law in the development of his grant request
- Juneteenth - no presenter
- Milwaukie Sustainability Faire - presented last month.
- Wednesday Music at Scott Park - discussion postponed for future meeting

#### **HMNDA Formal Business Meeting [7:45-8:00 p.m.]**

- 2022-2023 Term Officer Elections and Committee Chair Appointments
  - Current officers were re-elected, as follows:
    - Chair - Rich Recker
    - Vice Chair - Val Hubbard
    - Treasurer - Michele Bertaux-Zabaglio
    - Secretary - Debbie Liptan
- Grant Decision - Milwaukie Sustainability Faire — decision postponed
- Current Business -
  - Land-use Updates
    - Scott Park Reimagining - Scott Park and a couple of other city parks are slated for upgrades as a result of an infusion of cash from Federal stimulus funds. The funding will add park amenities and equipment while creating gathering spaces and increasing art. Before any

construction begins at each of the parks, the city is conducting a comprehensive community engagement process to create dialogue between community members and city staff about how they feel these improvements should be carried out and look once completed. The city held an “open house” on May 1 at Scott Park to gather public input. For more information about the park redevelopment project, visit

\*\*\*[.milwaukieoregon.gov/parksprojects](https://milwaukieoregon.gov/parksprojects) or email [parkprojects@milwaukieoregon.gov](mailto:parkprojects@milwaukieoregon.gov)

- City Hall Repurposing - The city is in the process of developing RFPs for the repurposing of City Hall. We will keep the neighborhood informed as the process moves forward.
- Milwaukie Bay Park Updates - nothing new to report.
- Approval of April 2022 Minutes - approved