

**ARDENWALD-JOHNSON CREEK  
NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2009**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Matt Rinker calls the meeting to order at 6:37 pm in the Ardenwald Elementary School, Room 101.

**Attendance**

There were 18 people in attendance:

Andrew Axer, ColumbiaCare Services, Inc.  
Ruthann Bedenkop  
Sherri Campbell, Vice Chair  
Joe Campbell, Treasurer  
Marianne Colgrove, Southeast Uplift-Webmaster  
Jeff Davis  
Chris Davis  
Greg Deane  
Bryan Dorr, Secretary

Brian Dwiggin, Clackamas County  
Betty Fulmore  
Lisa Gunion-Rinker, Board Member at Large 2  
Kim Hutchinson, Public Safety Advisory Comm.  
Bob Jordan, Milwaukie Police Chief  
Paul Nickila  
John Plov  
Ginger Plov  
Matt Rinker, Chairman

**Introductions**

The meeting starts off with an introduction.

**ColumbiaCare Service Update – Andrew Axer**

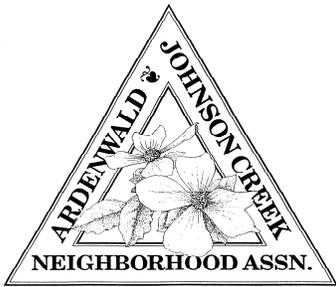
Provided update on SRTF at Balfour Street. Utilities are being connected and landscaping will be done soon. Opening date is not yet determined. There is one task that yet needs to be done but is not yet on paper. Photographs of the SRTF interior was passed around.

There has been a discussion about the noise measurements. Kim Hutchinson (PSAC) has requested that ColumbiaCare noise abatement measurements would be make known.

The Good Neighbor Agreement is still under works. It is not finished, but there are some issues that still need to be resolved. The GNA process has been in the works since May. The Milwaukie Police Department chief Bob Jordan is in part of the process, as so is NAMI.

Andrew Axer commented that the Neighborhood Association is well organized, compared to other groups that are less organized. He commented that to know who the neighbors are should be done with the same approach as meeting other neighbors who move into the neighborhood.

Chief Jordan stated that Oregon law enforcement cannot provided a record on a resident. However, if a resident commits a crime that leads to an arrest, then that information becomes public domain.



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Betty Fulmore commented about the security fence. Matt Rinker suggests that this be brought up at the Good Neighbor Agreement meeting.

**Police Report – Bob Jordan, Chief, Milwaukie Police Department**

A crime map of Ardenwald was handed out, reporting crimes within the Milwaukie limits only. He stated crime reports are up slightly, which is a trend around the region. Crimes reported are burglary and larceny. Currently three Milwaukie Police officers are on TriMet patrol. He hopes to rotate three officers out to place more officers on TriMet duty for familiarity. He said the department has been seizing the opportunity to grab funds to hire more police officers.

Betty asked about patrolling on both side of the railroad tracks. Chief Jordan said he would like to see patrols on both side of the tracks in case a train blocks access.

Chief Jordan told about an incident where officers, including himself, were pepper sprayed by a subject who barricaded himself in a room.

He also said Portland precinct redistricting seems to be working good.

A member who lives in the community for 30 years complimented how good of a job the Milwaukie Police Department has been doing.

Sherri pointed about the Ardenwald Parade on Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> and Walk or Bike to School Day Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> at Lisac's. Chief Jordan said they will make it there. The Chief said the department now have a bicycle unit.

**Committee Reports**

**Vice Chair - Sherri Campbell**

Sherri Campbell presented the September Sellwood Bee article regarding the August light rail meeting at the SMILE Station.

Lisa Gunion-Rinker announced the next light-rail meeting is Sept. 21, 2009 at the Bridge City Church. She stated that we do need a larger presence at the meetings. Betty Fulmore said the light rail elevated structure went from 3,000 to 1,000 feet.

Lisa also said ODOT has submitted a grant to construct a high-speed rail line also along Ardenwald and the light rail and freight.

**Secretary - Bryan Dorr**

Bryan commented on the communications going out about the light rail meetings. Some residents have complained about the lack of notification, despite that it has been published in



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Milwaukie Pilot and local print media, it's on website, and cards have been mailed. One commenter suggests talking with your neighbors.

**Treasurer – Joe Campbell**

Reading program \$1,100.00 grant. Spent \$1,100.95. There were volunteers that would pay back \$1,980.00. Concerts \$ was \$3,476.42. Balance in \$4,898.19.

Joe suggested that Well Fargo "nickel and dime" the account that it costs \$70 per year. A motion was made to research new banks to reduce annual expenditure on fees. A comment suggests we look into a credit union. Joe Campbell moves, Marianne Colgrove seconds. **Favor: Unanimous. Oppose. None.**

**Land Use**

Land Use Chair was not present. Lisa heard comment from resident of speeders on SE 42<sup>nd</sup> Ave., especially during school. There was suggestion to place speed lights or flashing lights. Kim will bring up at PSAC meeting.

**Southeast Uplift - Marianne Colgrove**

Announced the new executive director. She also introduced Ruthann, who is our Southeast Uplift staff neighborhood liaison. She announced leadership networking for the board who are interested in that particular role. Marianne said Havilah Ferschweiler (Office Neighborhood Involvement Crime Prevention Coordinator) would be a great person to consult with regarding the proposed Tacoma St. Park and Ride security concerns. Ruthann handed out handbooks.

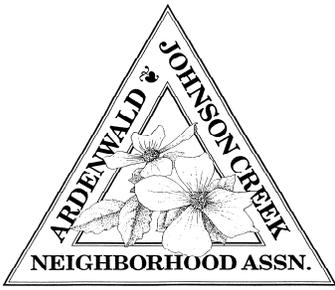
Betty expressed concerns about TriMet Park&Ride lacking restrooms. She expressed concern of people urinating behind buildings. She also expressed concerns about the 1,000-car Park&Ride having to cross the tracks.

Kim asked about moving Ochoco traffic light moving to the Park&Ride. Lisa responded that ODOT wasn't too pleased with the request.

Marianne also mentioned about the neighborhood grant program.

A member suggested that lot on SE 32<sup>nd</sup> and SE Roswell would be a great location for community garden. Meeting at Sept 17, 6:30 pm at Milwaukie City Hall.

On Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>, they partnered with the Overland Park and held the second annual Johnson Creek Cleanup. They've pulled out 4,600 pounds of garbage. In October, the first Saturday is the Tideman-Johnson work party. Later this month, they will be counting bugs to measure stream health.



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**Transportation**

Transportation Chair was not Present. Bryan Dorr mentioned the lack of 25 MPH signs on westbound SE Tacoma St and SE 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave. between SE Johnson Creek Blvd. and SE Tenino (west of pedestrian island west of SE 29<sup>th</sup> Ave. and before Johnson Creek stream crossing). The first sign westbound is 30 MPH at the bottom of hill. On eastbound SE Tacoma St, the 25 MPH sign is located at SE 29<sup>th</sup> Ave, 0.1 mile to the east of where it should really be posted based on recent Speed Order from April 2007. There is a 30 MPH speed limit sign eastbound between the 99E southbound and northbound intersections on SE Tenino, but none until SE 29th Ave.

This concern was brought up in light of last month's media stories concerning Milwaukie Police Department's speed enforcement on SE King Rd. and its speed limit sign placements. Milwaukie has corrected the location of the King Rd. speed limit signs.

A comment was brought up that SE Tacoma St. speed limits are hardly enforced, some just average about 40 MPH in a 25 MPH zone. Another comment was a sign placed in the pedestrian crossing island on SE Tacoma St. sign keeps getting ran over.

**Public Safety Advisory Committee – Kim Hutchinson**

Kim did not attend the last PSAC meeting because he had to enroll his child for school.

**Membership**

Membership Chair was not present. We should have better signage announcing the meeting set up outside of the school.

**Balfour Park – Lisa Gunion-Rinker**

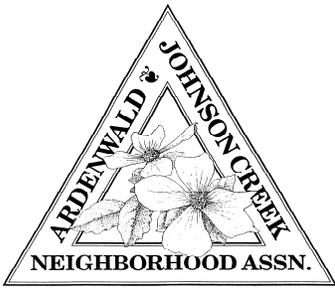
Park site was maintained by City of Milwaukie to prevent overgrowth. We had Garden Tour meeting in June. Lisa said there were additional contributions, but she did not hear back from Councilor Susan Stone.

**Johnson Creek SRTF (Balfour House)**

Brian Dwiggin of Clackamas County Community Health Division will be monitoring the patients residing in the facility. Kim asked about certain clients with certain convictions congregating where children congregate. Brian indicated that restrictions against being around children are implemented on a case by case basis, but agreed that some restrictions could be so prohibitive as to disqualify a candidate from placement at the SRTF.

**Art – Jeff Davis**

Davis Graveyard is opening at the end of the month. On October 11, he will hold an open house. On Halloween, they close off SE 43<sup>rd</sup> between Johnson Creek and Roswell. Jeff is the chair of the



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Art Mob in Milwaukie. Mike Richards of Dark Horse spoke with Jeff about planning an art gallery event at the Masonic Lodge.

He also spoke about bringing back the Nickel Movie event where they can show royalty free movies at the Masonic Lodge in downtown Milwaukie.

**Other Comments**

Sherri mentioned about the Christmas Party and where it should be held. Sherri also spoke about having a board meeting one week prior to the general meeting. She said the NDA Bylaws requires a board meeting is held a week before the general meeting.

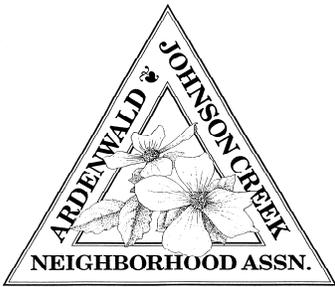
Lisa said the Murphy site has been rezoned.

Matt spoke about the Hillside Redevelopment. Matt said talks between county and the city have broke down. The plan is dead and the development will be in Oregon City. Matt said if we had up front planning then the NDA may have been approving, but found was unfortunate that things didn't work out well.

**Approve Meeting Minutes from June 9, 2009**

Sherri Campbell moves to approve the minutes, Marianne Colgrove seconds.

Vote to approve the June 9, 2009 regular meeting minutes (vote by voice): **Yea: Unanimous.**  
**Nay: None.**



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**Adjournment**

Sherry Campbell moves to adjourn the meeting, Marianne Colgrove seconds.

Vote to adjourn the meeting (vote by voice): **Yea: Unanimous. Nay: none.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Minutes prepared and submitted on September 15, 2009, by:

Bryan Dorr

Secretary

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Yea: Unanimous. Nay: None.