



# Hector Campbell NDA

## **April 14 2008 Meeting Notes**

Public Safety Building, 7pm

**Presiding: Mary Weaver, Vice Chairperson**

### **Introductions and welcome**

Dave Adams and another neighbor representing the Milwaukie HS Graduation Party and Jim Young representing Milwaukie Center's Meals on Wheels program, Pat Duval from the City attended, plus 7 neighbors.

### **Police and Fire Reports**

Lt Mike Wilson and Firefighter Ryan Davis attended. They reported that the Clackamas FD 1 is hiring 18 new firefighters over the next few years to bring staffing at the 17 stations in the district up to the federal recommended minimum of 4 per engine. Recruiting has become quite difficult for some reason. It was noted that the HCNDA will begin posting a monthly summary of Clackamas FD #1 service statistics on the blog.

Officer Danny Hill from Milwaukie PD attended. He stated that the photo radar van has been in operation for about 2 weeks and about 40 tickets per day have been issued. The van has been used to enforce traffic laws on 99E and Hwy 224 and also around the school zones. The Police Department has hired a retired Portland Police officer with extensive training in photo van enforcement, and has also trained 3 other officers so the van can be used on differing shifts.

Officer Hill also reported that the \$25,000 goal has been achieved for the K-9 program and that Officer John Truong will be undergoing extensive Dog Master training. The dog and its training will be purchased in June-July along with fitting out a patrol vehicle for the dog.

### **Grant Requests:**

The two representatives from Milwaukie HS Graduation Party advised how the party is organized, their other fundraising efforts and requested financial support for this year's party, which is June 8<sup>th</sup>. They were requested to complete the grant request form and their request will be considered at the May meeting.

The representative from Milwaukie Center's Meals on Wheels program, along with one of our neighbors who has also been involved with the program, described the lack of funding from the city for the program. The representative was requested to complete the grant request form and his request for support will be considered at the May meeting.



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## **Grants:**

Mr Bischoff made a motion, seconded by Mrs Rollison to provide support in the amount of \$500 to the K9 program with Milwaukie PD. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Project Reports:**

As Chairman Aschenbrenner was unable to attend, there was no new information on projects.

## **Parks Report:**

The work party at Homewood Park had only 2 people attend. Another work party is scheduled for Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 9-noon.

## **Public Safety Advisory Committee Report**

Mary Weaver reported that the new law relating to handicapped parking should be interpreted as that if you use a wheelchair you can park in the handicapped parking spaces with diagonal stripes on the right side of the space. Those without wheelchairs should use handicapped spaces without the additional space for wheelchairs. It was noted that this will be a difficult law to enforce as sometimes people store their wheelchairs in their trunks and do not have specially adapted vehicles.

Mary produced a flow chart from the Public Safety Advisory Committee demonstrating how traffic concerns are handled in the city. Non-emergency issues are resolved through the neighborhood associations, emergency issues should be addressed immediately by city departments. As the amount of money available for traffic safety issues is limited to only about \$13,000 per annum, there is a limited amount of help that can be offered.

Sarah Smith queried who enforces dog leash laws. It was considered that the county enforces these laws rather than the City's code enforcement officer. There are issues in some neighborhoods that dogs are being allowed to run loose without a leash.

A request was made to convey to the Chief of Police for the photo radar van to be used on Home Avenue due to speeding in the area, particularly during the early morning commute time.

## **Recruitment**

Sarah Smith reminded attendees of the HCNDA blog which is located at [www.hectorcampbellnda.org](http://www.hectorcampbellnda.org) and the email address is



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info@[HectorCampbellNDA.org](mailto:info@HectorCampbellNDA.org). More articles and photos and comments are requested for the blog.

Both Sarah and Linda Hedges attended a leadership meeting devoted to finding new ways to energize meetings and recruit new attendees to the neighborhood association meetings. One idea was to provide a space for children to quietly play during meetings so that young parents can attend. Another idea was to provide pizza or different food, but this idea was not felt to be necessary to our group.

## **Upcoming Events:**

Mr Bischoff moved and Mrs Rollison seconded a motion to offer the members of the current board of officers to be re-elected at the May meeting. This motion passed. It was noted that if other candidates wish to come forward at the May meeting prior to voting they will be welcomed.

The Farmers Market begins Sunday May 11<sup>th</sup>.

Other issues to be discussed at the May 12<sup>th</sup> meeting will be updates on Light Rail, City Budget and the Street Maintenance Program.

**Next meeting** - May 12, 2008

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