

RWNA Board Mtg 3/19/12

In Attendance: Gary Fowles, Annie Goldner, Stacey Stemach, Cassie Giddings, Kurt Petrich, Sami Fournier, Leslie Olson

Approve minutes from February 13, 2012

Next RWNA Board Meeting date?

Committee Chair Reports:

- Secretary / Treasurer (Rachel Stemach) not present.
- Traffic Safety Council Report: (Sami Fournier) Police only collect accident data on property damage over \$1,000. City is now collecting all accident data on all self reports. Sami will send link to city website. This summer starting construction on Cascade Lakes Hwy. During this construction there will be plans for directing bike traffic on the Hwy while under construction with appointed bike chaperones. Deschutes National Forest is improving Cascade lakes Hwy. Cassie to give a link to these plans.
- George not there. update on idea to safeguard pedestrian crossings with flags from George Thayer postponed to future board mtg.
- Land Use (Stacy Stemach) – notices placed on RWNA website.
- Galveston Improvement Project (Stacy Stemach) presentation before city council on Wed, March 8th, work session. City of Bend Engineering Dept showed that Galveston project is part of geo bond and qualifies for grant money. Council liked the plans for Galveston, particularly because so many private citizens worked on creating the plans. Project to go to city which will go for an RFP for design and then we can go after grants.
- Storm Water, Mirror Pond and Facebook (Leslie Olson) Nothing new to report.

- Vice-Chair/ Good Samaritan (Gary Fowles) Nothing to report.
- March Newsletter Report
 - a. 494 sent.
 - b. 21 bounces and 1 unsubscribe – deleted from database leaving 470 active contacts.
 - c. 175 opens: 13 click throughs (50% to the Land Use page of RWNA website).
 - d. excel database cleaned of wrong email addresses resulting in following: 609 members + 186 partners = 795 + 65 businesses = 860 members.
 - e. No email addresses – 6 business members + 182 member addresses (plus 50 couples) = 188 with no email addresses for contacts
- Membership (Bill Kurtz) – Let's Pull Together. How much do we give from our budget? Pay \$100 Bill in charge? Event is held on June 9th. More information to follow later.
- Bend Vision (Cassie Giddings) – Now named Accelerate Bend May 24 Tower Theater presentation FREE – update on a living city design. Education and economy 5 years of 2030 update action plan. TEDX tap in. April 28 – Century Center party after TEDX. Should be attached to the MPO for Bend. Cassie to send board logo for the date.
- Parks and Rec – Kurt Petrich – 3 priorities: 1st rapids, hillside park rehab, sunset view park. Parks and Rec board spoke about Mt Bachelor parking lot ice rink, which is only at the idea stage with no funding for 1 ½ to 2 ½ yrs. Miller's landing no dates, but is a high priority.

- Noise and Event Permit Liaison — Lori Petrich 3 new decibel machines and noise ordinance revision still being reviewed by a committee with police, Tom Green, city staff, business owners and 3 RWNA members.
- Nils Eddy – webmaster (not present) —Fixed membership form on our website as the completed forms were not reaching anyone. Cheryl Howard proposed we create a new website for all the NA's – Weebly. Board's opinion? Cost \$520 per year divided among the NA's.

Chair Report (Annie Goldner)

1. Report on January NART mtg March 15, 2011.
 - a. Guest presenter was Gary Judd, Bed Municipal Airport Manager.
 - b. Some NA's will hold voter registration at their mtgs.
 - c. Discussion about NA's sharing their budget funding – to be continued.
 - d. 2 NA's are continuing to work on updating the How to Run a Neighborhood Assoc Handbook.
2. Fire Free Day – May 4 and 5 and 11 and 12 from 7:30 to 4:00 pm, mentioned in March RWNA newsletter for promotion. Any other ideas for promotion? Mention in April newsletter?
3. Triangle Park signage is being built and will be place. It reads as follows:

Riverwest Triangle

In memory of Doug Jones, Founding RWNA Board Chair—2001 to 2004
and with thanks to River West Neighborhood Assoc. volunteers
who donated their time and materials to create this green space.

1. Plans for 2012 General Membership Meeting
 - When – Possible June 16 or June 23, Saturday from 9:30 to 11:00.
 - Where – Goodlife Brewery Beer Garden – outside. Goodlife to provide refreshments (no beer).

- Who/Topics – volunteering opportunities in our neighborhood.
- General Elections—email request for candidates by April 20th.
Email and mail ballots by May 22. Announce new board members at Annual Meeting.

2. Right Up Your Alley –

- Shall we invest in a meet-up approach? \$72 for 6 months River west meet-up. Maybe Constant contact if it can have a calendar.
- Need to start working on alley of the year award candidates.
Discussion for future board mtg.