



River West
Neighborhood Association

Monthly Board Meeting

June 18, 2009, 5:30pm
McMenamin's courtyard

In Attendance:

Tyler Blackwell, Vice-Chair, Database Manager; Rachel Stemach, Secretary, Treasurer; Leslie Olson, Land-Use Committee; Stacey Stemach, Land-Use Committee; Sami Fournier, Traffic Safety Committee; Cassie Giddings, 2030 Vision Liaison.

Meeting Minutes Acronyms:

NA – Neighborhood Association
ONA – Office of Neighborhood Associations
RWNA – River West Neighborhood Association
BMPRD – Bend Metro Park & Recreation District
JSFC – Juniper Swim & Fitness Center
TSAC – Traffic Safety Advisory Committee
BPAC - Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Vice-Chair's Report:

- The board ratifies May '09 meeting minutes.
- ONA Meeting - discussion concerning land-use guidance has to be postponed for later participant involvement.
- Next ONA meeting (July 16) - NA's to bring questions for Eric King to address.
- Weed Pull - June 13th event was successful, and made front-page news in the Bulletin newspaper. Leslie to contact Hardy Hanson for Weed Pull outcome
- 12th & Union Triangle update - deer statues at Simpson/Century Drive roundabout are staying where they are, so no deer to relocate to the Triangle
- Topic for revisiting RWNA mission statement is postponed until August or later:
 - Redefining Bylaws, establishing Bend's NA's as 'communicator'
 - RWNA strengths for livability, economic stability
 - Ways to eliminate budget needs, such as all website/ e-mail notifications (in lieu of mailings entirely), and how to use limited funds fairly and equally

Treasurer's Report:

- FY08-09 ends July 1st. Only fee to come out of funds is for P.O.Box yearly fee. Board determined the remainder of allotted \$5095.28 to return to the City
- Rachel to contact Justin Finestone to discuss proper protocol for utilizing funds, including invoicing, donating, etc. (or Mike Lovely if Justin not available)
- Funds for Road User Safety Campaign to be made out to City of Bend, \$100 was agreed to be donated from FY09-10 funds

Secretary's Report:

- No news to report.

Special Projects Organizer Report:

- Not present.

Membership Chair Report:

- Not present.

Traffic Safety Committee Report:

- Sami and Stacey to attend 6/23 meeting to formulate comments to ODOT concerning pedestrian and bicycle access at Hwy 97- Hwy 20 reroute.
- Jovi Meyers at BMPO will be used as the pass-through for the Road User Safety Campaign funds
- Will write up a brief report of campaign activities and description of fund usage. Will have safety hangers for distribution at the next meeting

Land Use Committee Report:

- Northstar Center located at Portland Ave - submitted application for change of use to a residential care facility.
- Leslie attended June 8th Parks District hearing (water overlay zone) for proposed crosswalk at Portland Avenue at Pioneer Park.
- Stacey to meet with Land Use chair of Awbrey Butte NA to discuss COCC zone change overlay (and parking lot access road issue).

Parks & Rec Chair Report:

- Not present.
- Bmprd Board has been updating the Comprehensive Plan that guides all aspects of the district's work. The Plan derives from that written in 2005 with updates driven by the 2008 Community Interest and Opinion Survey, stakeholder focus groups, and staff evaluation of accomplishments and needs regarding facilities, future land acquisition, park development, administrative facilities, operations facilities, and recreation programming. Public review and adoption of the final Plan is scheduled for fall 2009.

E-mail/ Database Manager Report:

- No news to report.

Business Liaison Report:

- Not present.
- Bend Downtown Business Association next Evening Mixer set for July 14th, 5pm at Lowes Residential at St. Claire Building (920 Bond St.). RSVP to Chuck Arnold at Chuck@DowntownBend.org

2030 Vision Report:

- NA further involvement with communities
- Bend 2030 new Board Members: Donna Jacobsen, Betsy Warriner, Matt Shinderman

- Meeting location for all Bend 2030 board will be at Mirror Pond gallery.
- Bend 2030 board is launching a Vision Builders campaign to highlight key people and events in the community.
- Each Board member is working to contact Lead Partners in the community to help update the action plan and work with the City of Bend. Cassie to contact Eric King concerning NA involvement with communities
- Mirror Pond Management board - see City of Bend link for more details on history of process to date http://www.ci.bend.or.us/mirror_pond.html The board has not yet met, but Leslie has received a letter from the city.
- Mirror Pond board will determine subcommittee structure for technical and public involvement and those interested will be notified about updates.
- City of Bend & Cassie have list of names from RWNA members interested in helping

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

- Tuesday, August 18th, 4:00pm to 5:30pm (prior to Alley Walk) at Leslie's home at 1927 NW Awbrey Road.
- ONA Meeting is July 16th, 10:30am, Council Chambers
- NA Round Table Meeting is July 16th, 12:00pm, Council Chambers
- Any resident in RWNA is invited to attend board meetings. Please RSVP to RWNA@bendbroadband.com