



River West
Neighborhood Association

Monthly Board Meeting

January 11, 2010

4:30pm

Brother John's Pub

In Attendance:

Annie Goldner, Interim Chair & Special Projects Coordinator; Rachel Stemach, Secretary & Treasurer; Bill Kurtz, Membership & Business Liaison; Dennis O'Shea, E-mail/Database; Stacey Stemach, Land-Use Chair; Sue Vordenberg, Parks & Rec Chair; Leslie Olson, Stormwater Management & Mirror Pond Committee; Cassie Giddings, 2030 Vision & Mirror Pond Committee; Gary Fowles, Good Samaritan Coordinator; Tyler Blackwell, Member-at-large; Kristina Bak, Jim Mahoney, Barbara Lynch, Robb Reavill, Barb McAusland, Residents.

Meeting Minutes Acronyms:

NA – Neighborhood Association

ONA – Office of Neighborhood Associations

RWNA – River West Neighborhood Association

BPRD – Bend Park & Recreation District

TSAC – Traffic Safety Advisory Committee

BPAC – Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Interim-Chair's Report:

- The board ratifies December '09 meeting minutes.
- Webmaster position is still open.
- Meeting with Councilman Oran Teater set for 1/20 at 3pm at DiLusso's.
- Topics for General Meeting: 1) City Councilmember(s) to speak on NA and City communication. 2) Property tax assessment guidelines. 3) Traffic & Pedestrian Safety. 4) Stormwater control, landscaping ideas. 5) 'Micro'neighborhoods implementation.
- General Meeting information booths: 1) Invasive weed control. 2) Elder care 'buddy' system (Good Samaritan Program?) 3) Parks & Recreation information.
- Volunteer Connect Program starting - may be an option for organizing 'Buddy' checkup for elderly in our NA.

Treasurer's Report:

- \$3,951 is left in FY09-10 budget for annual General Meeting mailings.

Secretary's Report:

- Verified that meeting minutes have not been posted on website for 11 months.

Special Projects Coordinator Report:

- Right Up Your Alley Report: 80 alleys total completed, with 10 alleys completed on January 11th.
- Annie to send update on RUWA progress to City of Bend departments of interest.
- Next Alley Walk is Saturday, February 20th at 1pm, meet at corner of 9th and Newport (at roundabout) to walk the alleys west of the river to Galveston Ave.

Membership Chair & Business Liaison Report:

- Researching ways to keep businesses involved.... contacting owners/ managers for listing in Business-section at end of monthly newsletter, special offers, etc.

E-mail/ Database Manager Report:

- December newsletter opened by 150+ members. Encourage members to forward on newsletter e-mail to other residents in RWNA.
- May incorporate 'bullet' points outlining minutes for inclusion in monthly newsletter.
- Will send out e-mail survey for possible General Meeting Topics.

Traffic Safety Committee Report:

- Not present.

Land Use Chair Report:

- No news to report. No new site plan applications received this month.

Parks & Rec Chair Report:

- NA's are encouraged to send proactive topics or recommendations to BPRD.
- Addenda to recent newsletter - board is reviewing capital improvement projects priorities and level of service in relation to available funds and projected revenues (even with the phasing in SDC Methodology-driven SDC rates). CIP priorities include currently unfunded foot bridge near 1st Street Rapids area.
- No specific topics in RWNA area until February: review of Hillside and Columbia Park Renovations, and contracts for Phase 2 of Pacific Park to Pioneer Park construction.
- Farmer's Market at Drake Park featured in Bulletin newspaper topic recently on future of Market's location (as of yet, BPRD not involved).

2030 Vision Report:

- Action Plan in process of being updated with lead partners.
- Town Hall venue planned for Spring for program highlights and utilizing 2030 Plan to assist with recession issues.

Mirror Pond Management Committee:

- No news to report.

Stormwater Management Liaison:

- No news to report.

Good Samaritan Program:

- Request for help messages need to be expedited to Gary for immediate action.
- Sporadic requests for assistance still coming in via e-mail and phonecalls.
- Will contact Central Oregon Council on Aging for ideas on implementing Elder Care “Buddy” checkups.
- Paperwork for listing with United Way 211 program is overwhelming & time-consuming process. Agreed not to proceed with this option.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

- Monday, February 8th, 4:30 to 6:00pm at COCC Boyle Education Center, Second Floor Conference Room (on College Way)
- ONA Meeting is January 21, 10:30am, Council Chambers.
- NA Round Table Meeting is January 21, 12pm, Council Chambers.
- Any resident in RWNA is invited to attend board meetings. Please RSVP to RWNA@bendbroadband.com

THANKS TO OUR LOCAL BUSINESS MEMBERS:

- Brother John’s Pub (for graciously hosting our board meeting!)
- Newport Market
- Dudley’s Bookshop Cafe
- Lowe’s Residential
- Nancy P’s Bakery
- Firehall Partners
- Mary Jane’s
- Natural Link Salon
- Top Spin Tennis
- Victorian Cafe
- Bend Downtowners Association
- Goody’s
- TWW Group
- Bend Public Library
- Taylor Interior Design
- Silver Moon Brewing, Inc.
- Chow Restaurant
- Mail Boxes, Etc.
- Backcountry Chiropractic
- Ginger’s Kitchenware
- Volunteer Insights
- Bend Public Library
- Westside Church
- Kanpai Restaurant
- Oregon Body & Bath
- Acadia Newport Partners, LLC

- Sunnyside Sports
- Bambini of Bend
- First Baptist Church
- Ray's Food Place
- Cartridge World
- Bella Brides
- Westside Village Partners, LLC