



River West Neighborhood Association

Monthly Board Meeting

September 13, 2010

5:30pm

COCC Boyle Education
Center Boardroom

In Attendance:

Annie Goldner, Chair & Special Projects Coordinator; Rachel Stemach, Secretary & Treasurer; Bill Kurtz, Membership; Stacey Stemach, Land-Use Chair; Dennis O'Shea, Newsletter & Database Chair; Sami Fournier, Traffic Safety Chair; George Thayer, Parks & Rec Chair; Leslie Olson, Stormwater Management Committee

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

RUST-Force – Road User Safety Task Force

Mission Statement and Bylaws:

- Bylaws and Mission statement clean up and add details to suit RWNA. At each board meeting, members will review and contribute ideas for updating.

Interim-Chair's Report:

- The board ratifies July '10 meeting minutes.
- NA Reports to City Council - presented by Gary in early August.
- Portland Ave locations set for next ped/ bike traffic counts: 9/28, 29, 30 (noon-1pm, 5-6pm), includes all bikes/peds crossing intersections between Wall St/Hill St and up to NW 12th.
- Board member contact information sent around for updates/ corrections.
- Galveston Traffic Study conducted three days in August (volunteers looked from Riverside to 12th, and 12th to 14th at roundabout).
- Annie & Gary had meeting with Eric King and Annie to discuss communication issues with NA's. Eric was enthusiastic with RUYA project.
- Next NART meeting will have topics on cell tower regulations for development code, and information on weed code enforcement.

Treasurer's Report:

- RWNA is re-registered as a non-profit organization with the State.

Secretary's Report:

- USPS forwarding mail already. Will send out change of address letters as needed.

Special Projects Coordinator Report:

- RUYA strategy meeting set for Saturday, Oct. 16th at 1:30pm at Annie's home.

Membership Chair & Business Liaison Report:

- Local business mentions in the Newsletters working well.
- The Tower Downtown evening mixer is Tuesday 9/21, which Bill will attend.
- Mission statement should include the issue of economic vitality to address business members specifically.

E-mail/ Database Manager Report:

- Newsletter 'vacation' from August. Need meeting minutes for September newsletter by 9/20.
- Taking pictures at ribbon-cuttings, etc.
- Idea of a direct mailing to businesses, from City's list of registered businesses.

Traffic Safety Committee Report:

- Next TSAC meeting is September 21st. Sami will report on Galveston ped/ bike study for Annie.
- Bicycle and drive lane blockage at Westside Bakery's patrons' large vehicles to be mentioned at next TSAC.
- Bike crash count data for Deschutes County for 2009 - 18 bike vs. vehicle crashes, 12 of which were deemed to be motorists fault.
- 10/10/10 Work party for 350.org - results to be presented on local bike/ ped counts
- Building a Better Bend, "Building Active Community Environments" speaker Dan Burden, planner. Sept. 23 from 7-9pm at St.Charles Conference Center, see <http://buildingabetterbend.org/lectures> for ticket purchase (\$8).
- Boneyard Bucket Brigade set for Sept 25 from 11-4pm at the Bikeshed, 350 SW Industrial Way
- Project Connect (bike repair & valet service) is next Saturday 9/18 at the fairgrounds.

Land Use Chair Report:

- COCC Health Sciences Building - will attend meeting on Sept.16th
- Site plan design review for Allen Rd residence adding attached garage today at 5:30pm
- Public hearing set for review of ordinance regulating cell towers inclusion in development code, review set for Sept. 27th at 5:30pm

Parks & Rec Chair Report:

- Miller's Landing acreage purchase - Trust for Public Lands reaching fundraising goals!
- Columbia Park upgrades in full swing, safety precautions set in place for park users.
- George has conflict of interest with BPRD Board and as a neighborhood liaison, so he has to resign from the RWNA position. However, any board member can attend

meetings (twice per month at 5:30 and 7pm at District Headquarters) to keep the NA up-to-date. Check BPRD website for agenda or relevant issues.

2030 Vision Report:

- Not present.
- Board is structuring sub-committee meetings for working group sessions with key lead partners on action items, with the goal to drive discussions and a provide a report card to update the community.
- Updates will be presented to the public with a town hall scheduled after the New Year.

Mirror Pond Management Committee:

- On hiatus for the time being.

Stormwater Management Liaison:

- Arranging future meeting.

Good Samaritan Program:

- Not present.
- Wendy Winschel at Kingston idea of “elder mentor”. Recommend referring to Bend Senior Center and Volunteer Connect programs to locate elderly in need.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

- Monday, October 18th, 5:30 to 7:00pm at COCC Board Room (Boyle Education Center).
- ONA Meeting is September 16th and October 21, 12:00pm, Council Chambers.
- NA Round Table Meeting is September 16th and October 21, 12:30pm, Council Chambers.
- Any resident in RWNA is invited to attend board meetings. Please RSVP to RWNA@bendbroadband.com

THANKS TO OUR LOCAL BUSINESS MEMBERS:

- Barre 3 Exercise
- Arbor Tree Service
- BendTel
- Brother John’s Pub
- Newport Market
- West Bend Tennis Center
- Dudley’s Bookshop Cafe
- Fox’s Billiards Lounge
- 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
- Make It Green LLC
- 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
- Hillside Inn
- Ray's Food Place
- Cartridge World
- Bella Brides
- Westside Village Partners, LLC