SNA Board Meeting January 12, 2017

Present: Tony, Neil, Mike, Dan, Nola, Lorraine (phone)

Absent: Reuben, Hannah, Josh

Meeting came to order at 7:10PM

Introductions

Motion to approve November minutes (Dan) seconded (Nola) Motion passed

Motion to approve Agenda (Dan) Seconded (Nola) Motion passed

Committee Reports:

Several committees did not meet last month.

Treasurer’s Report was submitted.

Account Balance is $14,173.39

Sunnyside Sign: Reuben Absent-Neil reported that he met with Bill Stites, and are working on the permitting process but have not yet submitted an application.

Gardening Workshops-Jane Pullman cannot do next workshop and looking for a volunteer to help with hosting next workshop. Mike may be willing to do this.

Oregon Humanities Conversations-Representative could not attend meeting, discussed possible content.

Chesnut Court Tenants Union-Jeanne Tavini

Jeanne reviewed the current status of the tenant’s Union at this apartment building, on Stark near Portland Nursery.Rent increases and non-cooperative owners are causing difficulties with the tenants in this very close-knit community. Many tenants are long term renters. A Tenant’s Union was formed and Union members (10 of the 13 residents are in the Union) have asked owners to meet with them, and to provide a copy of their lease which has been refused. They are asking for support from the community, and have a facebook page. They also are offering to give a class on tenant’s rights, and provide insight and guidance for anyone interested in starting a Tenant’s Union. They will write an article for the SNA newsletter.

Bylaws-Tony-some amendments to the Bylaws were proposed, and the proposed new Bylaws will be brought to a meeting on February 13th. Dan moved that we post the amended Bylaws to the website, Neil seconded. Motion passed. Several of the amendments will be discussed with Katy Asher prior to the February meeting. Comment period will open after February meeting, and a meeting to vote to adapt new Bylaws of at least 20 Sunnyside members (Including SNA Board) and the Board is hoping to have new bylaws in place by May.

Parking Permits-Tony

Tony gave background on the City’s Parking permit toolbox proposed by PBOT in 2013-the City Council met in December, and decided to wait until a Pilot program is complete (NW Portland) which means the Permit process could be delayed as long as 2020.

Tony wrote a letter to the Mayor urging him to provide neighborhoods with a Parking Management toolkit including overnight residential permits as soon as possible.

A motion was made in support of Tony’s letter (Nola) and seconded by Neil. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9PM