

Sunnyside Neighborhood Association

General meeting minutes - December 9 2021

Attendees Board – Ben Wyatt, Ash Hester, Vincent Dawans, Hannah Wallace, Jessie Maran, Andria Robbins, Matt Lembo, Emily McCadden, Chris Waldman

Attendees – Grace Tunning, Barbara Bushell, Rob Nosse, Don McIntosh

- Ash Welcomes attendees
- Jes announces that Beacon village had its residents move in. Community seems accepting so far. Construction is tapering off. The village is requesting a sewing machine, so if you have one contact Jes.
 - Matt says that there is talk of Beacon Village becoming a model for other community organizations. There is also talk of creating a handbook. Meetings to discuss this will begin in January. If we know organizations that would like to build a tiny village, now is the time.
- Overview on the Charter Review Commissions
 - Chris presents a slide show educating the group on the reason for and structure of a review commission.
 - Meets every 10 years
 - 21 members appointed by the City Council
 - 15 most approve for something to become a recommendation
 - Some consensus items
 - Expand city council
 - Remove city council from running bureaus
 - Redefine role of the mayor and City Council
 - Alter election structure to happen in a single stage, rather than the 2 primary framework.
 - All recommendations resulting from this commission will be on the November ballot
 - Next full commission meeting December 13 @ 6pm
 - Matt suggests we prepare to pressure council members to put these things on the ballot if it looks like they won't.
 - Ben suggests we share the slide show with other in Sunnyside residents
 - Jes suggests the newsletter.
- Vincent brings up a history of poor traffic management during the Peacock lights. Too late this year but maybe next we can make some recommendations. Ash supports for next year.
- Guest speaker State Representative Rob Nosse
 - Legislative updates and follow up with Q&A for guests
 - Special legislative session Monday - focused on making renter protections work. Not going to defend the computer system or process.
 - Extending the eviction moratorium again and adding more money to renter assistance program.

- Must have 2/3 votes to pass so some concessions made for republicans.
 - Short session starts in Feb and will last 5 weeks. Provides a chance to fix bills and keep an eye on the executive branch.
 - Then primary season. Then elections. Expecting a lot of turnover in the legislature.
- Matt asks about Rob introducing a sanctioned camping amendment to support efforts like Beacon Village. Jes reminds that the current legislation sunsets after one year.
- Emily asks about the right to rest act. Rob not aware if that piece of legislation is coming back. Has not heard it is due to being controversial.
- Jes asks for details about renter assistance enhancements. Rob says they are adding money; maybe 100 million; moratorium extended through September 2022. Jes says that she has heard stories about landlords not providing services as a result of people not paying rent. At least during the suspended state between reimbursement and moratorium. Rob says there will be a hearing on the bill this Saturday.
- Vincent says the previous legislation was poorly written. Vincent shares concerns from the landlord perspective. Suggest the moratorium stops when the money stops. Rob says this is the last time. This was a request by landlords to have more certainty.
- Don asks Rob if he is running for labor commissioner – Rob says no but he is running for reelection.
- Matt asks what is being done to address all the brinksmanship in the legislature. Rob says “Our Oregon” is collecting signatures to change the quorum rules, so a few legislators cannot hold the process hostage. Rob shares some examples of areas of collaboration and others that are more sticky.
- Chris appreciates the police reform bill and Rob says he can expect more during the short session. Rob describes one around accountability paired with pay for new recruits. Rob also shares about legislation that allows for sending traffic violations in the mail rather than pulling people over.
- Ash asks if still opportunity to go to court over citation received in the mail. Rob says of course.

Board meeting minutes - December 9 2021

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- Review and approve November minutes
 - Emily moves that we approve Nov. minutes, Ben seconds
 - A vote is taken and the motion passes.
- Committee and Officer reports
 - Treasurer's report – Vincent reports
 - Money is going away. We are below the 4K line. Sent emails to advertisers asking for renewal.
 - Discussion about approaching new advertisers to generate income
 - DEIA – Ash reports
 - December meeting was canceled so no report
 - SNACC – Emily McCadden reports
 - Began surveying shower goers and have gotten about 10 responders. Waiting for more.
 - Hannah provides brief overview of clothing drive held on December 4th
 - Lots of clothes and the church is allowing storage in the basement.
 - Church will be a women's shelter this winter, so lots of women's clothes needed.
 - Cole, a volunteer is starting to help out even more.
 - Applying for community grant to stipend someone like Cole.
 - Vincent reports about a big cleanup on Stark St. Central City cleaned up Hawthorne so that was canceled.
 - SES PTSA – Andria Robbins reports
 - A couple fundraisers: 4th graders need new drums and a giving tree.
 - Business associations – Andria Robbins
 - Hawthorne business association had a successful holiday lighting (Hanukah and Christmas).
 - Could not attend meeting this week
 - SE Uplift - Ash provides updates
 - Hired a board administrator Shannon; they will support the executive director.
 - Meeting was light and wonderful
 - Planning to develop a mission driven agenda.
 - Putting bylaw amendment on hold to seek consultation
 - Making sure legal ducks in a row and plenty of support
 - Richmond NA rep is now Ann

- Operations review
 - Assign board member to work on endorsement process to publish on website and add into the SNA bylaws
 - Ben to help draft an endorsement process
 - Some discussion about how this would look.
- Start conversation on how to manage interrupted conversations that are off topic or outside voices. Determine best practices
 - Ben suggests setting the table for how to be heard or when is appropriate, so we hold them to it. Also suggests setting up a parking lot for off topic.
 - Vincent suggest that members at large should be told to not talk when the board is talking.
 - Jes suggests we use our voice to establish a way to conduct oneself at these meetings.
 - Chris says that people are allowed to observe the board meeting but they are not supposed to speak.
 - Matt supports the idea of setting the table and suggest a point person for tracking speakers and time.
 - Ash says she would like to be the first to suggest someone stop talking but would like support.
 - Jes shares about a highly structured meeting she attended with a strict time structure.
 - Emily asks if these boundaries are for the board as well. Ash says yes and points out that tonight she struggled to cut in.
- Jes says SNACC will be meeting in person and ask the group if it is time to have an in-person meeting of the board. Ash will add it to the agenda.
- Emily reminds the board that to get a stipend for Cole there must be a board vote to approve the application
 - Vincent moves we vote on the SNACC grant application, Hannah seconds
 - A vote is held and the motion passes.
- Chair provides closing meeting statements
- Meeting concludes