

2011 10 10 St. Johns Neighborhood Association General Meeting

Board Members present: Hiedi Bauer, Babs Adamski, Lorelei Juntunen, Thomas Ebert
Sarah Havens, Lucinda Gilman, C.J. Doxsee, Matthew Weidner, Mark Savage

32 community members present.

Call to order: 7:05 p.m.

Announcements:

- New wedding lending library is being started, SomethingborrowedPortland.
- Both St. Johns Octoberfests were wonderful successes.

Board Elections

- The criteria for being a board member, the position descriptions, and the responsibilities of the board were reviewed.
 - Lucinda Gilman nominates Babs Adamski for chair.
 - C.J. Doxsee nominates Sarah Doxsee for treasurer.
 - Jennifer Levy nominates herself for member-at-large.
 - Sara Henderson nominates Mark Savage for member-at-large
 - Sarah Doxsee nominates C.J. Doxsee for land use chair
 - Sarah Doxsee nominates Lucinda Gilman for member at large
 - Babs Adamski nominates Thomas Ebert for member at large
 - Babs Adamski nominates Gil Luzader member at large
 - Babs Adamski nominates Lalita Ham for secretary
- Babs Adamski moves to suspend the bylaws on the matter of meeting attendance for Jennifer, C.J., and Sarah; and current residency for Lucinda for this vote. Gil Luzader seconds. Motion carries
- Sarah Doxsee moves to vote on the positions as a slate. Lucinda seconds. Motion carries.

Be Cart Smart presentation: Babs Adamski

- Beginning October 31st, garbage will be picked up every other week, while recycling will continue to be picked up weekly. Compost will now be included with yard waste and will now be picked up weekly.
- This new schedule meets the program's goals to increase recycling and sustainability and to reduce the waste stream.
- Pretty much everything from the kitchen, including things that can't go in the backyard compost like meat and dairy, can go in the green cart.
- Q: Are there options for those who don't have trash pickup but want recycling and compost pickup? A: Yes, there is an option for those who want recycling and composting only.
- Q: Can we compost animal waste? A: No, no human or animal waste, nothing from the bathroom.
- Q: Who purchases the compost? A: Currently, large landscaping firms. Primarily, it's not used for food.

- Q: How is Recology involved? A: They're handling some of the transport.
- Q: Can we still pick up our own compost from the city? A: There is still a place where one can pick up yard debris.
- Q: What other kinds of outreach is the City of Portland doing? A: Sun schools, senior centers, Sunday Parkways.

Reports

- PPB & Crime Prevention: Officer Green, Angela Wagnon
 - With the changing seasons, they see increased gang activity, vandalism, squatters.
 - PPB is phasing out white cars and phasing in black cars; there are some uniform changes.
 - Concerns were raised about speeding cars and limited local police access to radar.
 - Pleasure was expressed about the effectiveness of the neighborhood watch training.
 - Officer Green commended the St. Johns foot patrol.
 - This October is National Crime Prevention month. Emphasis will be on recovery, on itemizing household high-end belongings. More information can be found at the next PSAC meeting.
- Treasurer Report: Sarah Doxsee
 - Roughly \$1900 in the account
- Land Use Report: C.J. Doxsee
 - An advisory committee meeting (open to the public) will be held on the 14th to discuss the reduction of freight truck traffic.
 - On the 22nd, there will be an "ABCs of Land Use" workshop.
 - Lot consolidation is in progress at the old car dealership site.
- Tree Committee Report: Lalita Ham
 - The tree inventory report will be out soon. There will be a meeting to discuss the data of the report and to draft the stewardship plan. (Of all the neighborhoods, we have the second largest amount of trees.)
- Port of Portland: Rachel Wray
 - City of Portland is examining West Hayden Island for annexation, and there are some meetings being held to discuss it.
 - At terminals 5 and 6, there is some dredging going on.

Announcements

- Thank you to all past and present board members
- A group of citizen advocates is looking for signatures to get public campaign financing on the upcoming ballot.