

## **Wilkes East Neighborhood Association Board Meeting Meeting Minutes – 25 February 2008**

The regular meeting of the WENA Board Meeting was called to order at 7PM on Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at the home of Kris and Leo Freiermuth by Kris Freiermuth.

Present: President – Kris Freiermuth, Land Use Chair – Lee Dayfield.  
Unable to attend: Marc Thornsbury & Daphne Mathew.

### **A. Approval of Agenda**

The Agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

### **B. Approval of Minutes**

Approval of October Minutes, and Treasurer's report were tabled as a quorum was not present.

### **C. Open Issues**

**Land-Use** - Lee reported on pre-applications received since October:

**Mornings Best Coffee** TUSE:07-26000426

16229 NE Glisan Street

Peggy Larson (503 253 0935) who lives at 165<sup>th</sup> & NE

Hoyt had

phoned Kris regarding this application & inquired what could be done.

It was suggested she should poll her neighbors and see what the neighbor

-hood consensus was regarding this business. It was indicated to her if

there was a majority feeling in opposition then a petition should be pre-

pared & signatures collected. She was advised we would assist in preparing

the petition, however "feelings" would not sway the planners and code

issues needed to be found.

**US Bank** Project: #07-26000423

181<sup>st</sup> & Sandy Blvd.

Kris was contacted by MacKenzie Group for Early Neighborhood Involvement. This is a continuation of the US Bank processing facility and campus North of I-84. We

processed the Waivers necessary for them to proceed, however we did discuss plantings especially along 181<sup>st</sup> to improve the appearance of the facility and neighborhood environment. Kim Gon-zalez the site planner indicated that MacKenzie Group has recently hired a landscape architect, Tim Bauer, AIA who we could contact. She did mention “nothing really would be done as regards to plantings until the project was completed;” 2 more buildings are planned for the future and when – she was not able to say.

**Kwan Yin Temple of Oregon** Pre-App: #08-26000046  
16525 NE Glisan Street

Lee had prepared a flyer announcing the planned erecting of a building on the Temple site and had gone door to door leaving the flyer and answering any questions as the project will not be posted until the pre-application has been approved. Kris had notified Nathan & Miriam Teske as they live directly in line with the proposed new structure. They indicated they didn't have a problem with it as this would provide a noise buffer for them. They were in agreement with us to request Kwan Yin to remove their present shipping container at the East end of the property since they will have a large storage building and also to have them plant a row of trees along their property fence on the NE Hoyt side, which would make the property more in keeping with the neighborhood and not so much like an industrial park.

**Scott Dennis Developer** PAM 07-26000004  
16701 NE Hassalo Street

Lee indicated nothing at present was being done as far as she was aware.

**NE Oregon Street projects.**

Lee had been contacted by Brian Martin regarding two (2) projects; 17124 NE Oregon, which is east of the Simmons Assisted Living and the two (2) houses now under construction at 17011 and 17008 NE Oregon east of Eugene & Desiree Winstead residence. Lee provided Mr. Martin with photographs of the property lines of both the property at 17124 and the property south of it to show how close in proximity they are as regards noise and privacy. The properties at 17011 and 17008 NE Oregon had a large pile of debris in the front & partially obstructed the street.

Owner was notified of problem and the pile has been removed.

**Owens-Corning** meeting with Kim Howard. Lee met with Kim Howard the 21<sup>st</sup> of February. The meeting went well; Kim updated Lee on recent meetings with the cities of Gresham and Portland. Lee took the opportunity to discuss possible support for the Tree Symposium scheduled for October. Kim indicated Shirley Craddick had mentioned the symposium and that Lee was one of the planners.

#### **D. First Semi-Annual Meeting of Wena 25 March 2008**

We discussed order of the program and possible “hot” topics to include in order to draw a good number of members.

Discussion about materials we wanted to have available for members at the meeting.

We will have access to St. Aidan’s at 6PM, which will give us a good hour to prepare and organize the space. Brian Heerwagen will be available to facilitate the meeting. Kris will meet with him a week or so before the meeting to go over the program.

It was decided to invite Brian Martin from the City of Gresham to discuss the “Residential District Review.”

Action Item: Lee will contact Brian Martin to confirm his availability for our meeting.

Lee will get flyers from City of Gresham regarding the Arbor Day activities on 4/19.

Lee will pick up materials for the Welcome Folders for new neighbor; i.e. Parks, Trees, etc.

Action Item: Kris will contact Daphne about cookies for the meeting from one of the vendors she

works with.

Kris will prepare the flyer for the semi-annual meeting & put a team together to deliver them.

Kris will write the minutes for this meeting.

Kris will send a note to Linda Kidby requesting the City’s

*Important Phone Numbers*

reminder card & also send a notice of our meeting.

Kris will contact Bob Lundbom about a statement for web-site costs.

**Old Business:**

**Sign monies from the Coalition.** We had sent a letter to the Coalition and Eric Kvararsten, City Manager of Gresham requesting WEna's portion of monies. To date we have not heard anything. We will follow-up with Coalition at their March meeting.

Follow-up with Marc to see where he is at with the 501(c)3 and By-Laws.

We have our EI # and PO Box, so we will go forward to opening a WEna checking account. We felt in order to expedite this we would use our approved By-Laws from August 2007.

Respectively submitted (but approved)  
Kristen Freiermuth, Pro-Tem

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