



Wilkes East Public Meeting Minutes

March 24, 2014

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I. Call to order

- Marc Thornsby, Vice President, called to order the regular meeting of the Wilkes East Neighborhood Association at 7:00 pm on March 24, 2014 at St. Aidan Church, Gresham, Oregon.
- Board Members present: Vice President Marc Thornsby, Secretary Greg Hartung, Treasurer Billy Simmons, Land Use Curt Duval, Communications Bob Lundbom, Member at large Juanita Null Not present: President Kris Freiermuth.
- Special thanks to volunteers and supporting companies. Donations to WENA help offset costs such as the rental of the hall for this meeting.
- Website: www.wilkeseastna.org

II. Approval of minutes from last meeting

- November Public meeting minutes had be not distributed, slated for approval at next public meeting in August.

III. Guest Speakers

Pam Krecklow, Albertina Kerr Expansion Update.

- Break ground on two new buildings, 6000 square foot expansion and the group home.
- “Learn to Burn” building is now down. New infrastructure, water systems, forms for the concrete coming in to place. Construction equipment will be entering from NE 162th. Some surveying will be done on 165th, but no construction equipment will be 165th.



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Guest Speakers continued.

Pam Krecklow, Albertina Kerr Expansion Update, continued.

- Any noise or issues, please let Pam Krecklow know. Construction updates have been sent regularly to Kris who has sent out to the members.
- Phase 2 planning: campus cohesion project, which will create circulation, parking and landscape on the campus.
- Neighborhood meeting at the campus chapel on April 10th, 6-7 pm to discuss Phase 2 planning. Notices sent out to people within 300 feet of the property.
- Board approved of 4000 sq. foot addition to historic Louise building on NE 162th, which was damaged due to water break. The addition will be between the north and south wing. Also renovating interior of building. It is on the National Historic Registration.
- Internal policy: no employees to park on NE 165th. There will be new additional parking.

Travis Stovall, Tri-Met board member east county representative.

- Updates on east side enhancement plan. Focus is on surface, equity, value.
- Next budget for more service because of better economy. \$7.1 million for new surface and Max services. Upgrades 26 bus lines and all 4 max lines. 64 new buses.
- Portland to Milwaukie light rail line will open in September 2015. The bridge across the Willamette will connect in May.
- East Side Service Enhancement Plan: Poverty to Prosperity 1) access to child care 2) transportation. With support and interest, we want to provide more north-south service lines, such as 148th and 162nd Ave and frequent transit express from Gresham to Downtown on Powell/Division.



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Guest Speakers continued.

Travis Stovall, Tri-Met board member east county representative.

- Member suggests bus line 25 to run up Glisan to Reynolds High School for students. Data point research are used to justify lines and identify routes
- Member complaints of drunkenness, panhandling, no tickets being checked, and non-service animals. Actual violent crimes is very minimal. Cameras are on Max line stops.
- Low fare mitigation program for low income. Tri-met works with organization groups.

Sunny Simkins, Multnomah County Drainage District #1

- Drainage districts run from Smith and Bybee lakes to the Sandy River, then from Columbia River to Columbia Blvd, transitions to Sandy Blvd.
- Mission is to protect lives and property by managing 28 miles levy along Marine Drive.
- Currently going through FEMA accreditation process. FEMA insurance rate maps, the levies have to prove to protect properties from the 100 year flood by doing a geotechnical investigation by drilling through the levy and taking soil samples. Cost is 5 million dollars.
- Due to changing federal requirements since Sandy and Katrina storms, government requires upgrades costing \$100-200 million.
- 11 pump stations that pump water back into the Columbia. 18 miles of river front dikes, 10 miles north and south levies, 40 miles loop around the perimeter.

Aaron Jacobs, City of Gresham

- Replaces Cathy Harrington as the Manager, Office of Neighborhood and Community engagement.



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IV. New business.

Treasury Report, Billy Simmons

- \$37.00 deposited from donation
- \$250.00 for the newsletter out of the grant money.
- \$1700.00 balance from the grant money and \$430.00 in our (WENA) fund.

Neighborhood clean-up announcement:

- Date: June 28th from 9am – Noon at HB Lee School.
- Cars \$10.00, SUV and Vans \$15.00, Pickups, \$20.00, Trailers \$30.00.
- No prescription drugs, food stuffs, fluorescent bulbs, electronics, or hazard materials.

Nadaka Festival and clean-up port-a-potties

- Curt Duval motions to apply grant \$250.00 to pay for port-a-potties for the Nadaka Festival event and one for Nadaka clean-up. Member seconds. Members vote unanimously, motion carries.

V. Adjournment

- Marc Thornsby, Vice President, adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.
- Minutes submitted by: Greg Hartung
- Minutes approved by: Wilkes East NA Members at the public meeting on August 25th 2014

VI. Donations Collected.

- \$15.00



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