

MINUTES FROM THE ISLAND STATION NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING

January 18, 2007

ATTENDEES: Bill Hoelz, Doug Rumpel (WES), Bonnie Mishler, Molly Hanthorn, Greg Chaimov, Gary Michael, Mary Hupfer, Beth Ragel, Michelle Healy (N.Clackamas Parks District), Vince Hall (Clackamas County Civil Engineer, Rick Maxwell (Clackamas County Engineering Design Technician), Lynn Welsh, Alicia Hamilton

TOTAL ISNARESIDENTS ATTENDING MEETING: 9

- Meeting opened at 6:35 p.m. with introductions.
- TROLLEY TRAIL: Michelle Healy and Vince Hall presented the Trolley Trail Master Plan. Michelle explained that the plan was adopted in 2004 and following their October 2006 Open House the next step is to integrate the plan with ODOT's construction along McLoughlin and River Road/22nd Avenue. The project is federally funded which has given it momentum. Inflation concerns have affected the overall plan....they plan to design the entire project at once rather than doing it by section as originally planned. They will begin with sections 1 and 2 of the plan which will start in downtown Milwaukie and go all the way to Park Avenue. Projected timeline is to have a design finished by Fall 2007, submit the plan to ODOT and have it go out to bid by Spring 2008. The main design issues are how to safely cross the 22nd Avenue and River Road intersections. Greg Chaimov mentioned that the neighborhood's main concern and goal is traffic/pedestrian safety. Vince Hall said he is trying hard to work with ODOT to obtain the final draft of the construction proposal but is waiting to receive the correct documentation from ODOT engineers. Rick Maxwell is working on the mapping portion of the design and said cooperation from ODOT is imperative in the process. Greg mentioned that if Vince or Rick have any problems with ODOT or the design to inform the neighborhood and we will do everything possible to help. Gary Michael asked about budgets to implement the design and all the trail amenities. Vince responded that they won't know exact budgets until they have a final design, but it was originally estimated to be \$4 million and that \$2 million has been federally funded. Gary suggested that they contact Cheryl Snow with the Arts Action Alliance to help facilitate the public art on the trail. Historic and environmental interpretation will be sub-contracted as they don't have staff to support these amenities. Mary Hupfer mentioned concerns about the costs associated with sub-contractors.

Vince said that as a former contract worker he can attest to the fact that the rates are not out of line due to all the time, printing costs, overhead costs involved with a project such as this. Greg Chaimov requested that they name a section of the trail after Dick Jones; one of the original proponents for the trail who has worked diligently to make the trail come to fruition.

- **TRAFFIC CALMING:** Greg gave a summation of the issues at hand. The ISNA needs to decide whether to move forward with 2 possible scenarios. One would be to install 2 fixed speed monitor signs (one on 22nd Avenue, one on River Road) and the other would be to install a traffic circle either on 22nd south of the Bluebird intersection or on River Road and Sparrow. Bill Hoelz expressed concern with moving forward on the circles before we know how the ODOT project will impact speed in the neighborhood. Greg Chaimov seconded this thought although expressed his lack of understanding of the need to rush the circles before the ODOT construction begins. Lynn Welsh wanted to know more about the sign longevity and whether or not we can sell them when we are done. She also mentioned the possibility of moving the signs. General consensus was to wait to make a decision until next month's meeting when we have more information. Alicia Hamilton mentioned she will research the aforementioned questions/concerns. She also mentioned that the portable speed monitor has been put to use on River Road and that it generated a lot of brake use. The plan is to place the unit on the road once a week for a month (alternating locations within the neighborhood). After one month it will move to another neighborhood.
- **CODE ENFORCEMENT:** Neighbors on 22nd and River Road have been issued citations to remove foliage and/or fences that block the road/sight of oncoming cars. Supposedly there have been some objections, but no one present at the meeting expressed any concerns.
- **MINUTES:** from November were APPROVED.
- **TREASURER'S REPORT:**
 - Balance: \$11,811.26
 - History grant has: \$647.67
 - Pole Toppers grant has: \$698.40
 - Spring Park grant has: \$4,949.04
 - Neighborhood improvement grant has: \$500
 - Lawn Mower maintenance has: \$202.53
 - Social Outreach has: \$430.57
 - Traffic Calming has \$4,383.05
- **OTHER BUSINESS:**
 - Spring Park: someone mentioned seeing young teens working at the park. Greg confirmed it was the Clackamas County Youth Environmental Corp. continuing their work.

- WES: Doug Rumpel from WES came to check in. Said they hoped to have an answer on the future of Kellogg Treatment Center in 6 months. He also asked if anyone knew who had planted trees along the edge of the river as his boss thought they may have to remove them. Greg Chaimov thought it might be a neighbor who likes to “commando plant” with native plants. Alicia Hamilton asked Doug to let the neighborhood know if there was a problem with the trees as we would like to keep them if they are indeed native to the area. Alicia also mentioned that she thought someone had been driving through the park (she saw tire marks in the snow) and that it might be wise to place boulders along the perimeter to discourage this.
 - BETH RAGEL gave an update on the rescheduled Riverfront Design Open House. It will take place on January 29th at City Hall from 5 – 7pm. She also gave an update on the TSP. She gave a brief explanation of the different committees and workshops available to the public. For more information please visit the city’s website at: <http://www.ci.milwaukie.or.us/projects/tspupdate/tspupdate.html>
 - Molly Hanthorn asked if there had been any follow up to the riparian damage at Margaret’s house (on 19th Avenue between Bluebird and Bobwhite). Beth Ragel mentioned that code enforcement had visited the site and the family has been very cooperative.
 - Gary Michael gave a legislative update. Carolyn Tomei has been elected to the Ways and Means Sub-Committee of the Transportation Committee. This committee holds the purse strings for ODOT which should be helpful as we proceed with ODOT improvement projects in our neighborhood and the city.
 - Bill Hoelz requested that future minutes reflect the number of JSNA residents voting on certain issues. He wants to be certain the minutes accurately reflect whether there is a small or large attendance during voting. Alicia Hamilton agreed to include this information in future minutes.
- MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:40pm