



Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Portsmouth Neighborhood Association

Meeting Date: January 22, 2008

Meeting Location: University Park United Methodist Church, 4775 N Lombard.

Present: Jeanne Knepper and Susan Landauer, co vice chairs; Betty Johnson, Treasurer; Renee Jensen Reinhardt, Secretary; Greg Wilhelm, Matthew Denton, and Stephen Leiker.
and

Absent: Kandy Giles

Guests: Jason Henshaw, Carole Newvine, Sara Poulter, John Draneas, Tom Griffen-Valade.

1. Presentation by Friends of Portland International Raceway (FOPIR). Jason Henshaw and John Draneas presented a written proposal that "the City Council would remove the variance process from the Noise Review Board, and simply grant PIR four event exceptions that would be automatically available for any designated events, so long as all applicable rules and standards are met." They also verbally proposed that FOPIR would take over the management of the track from the city. They asked for the PNA Board's approval. The board members and neighbors present had many questions. Greg proposed that the subject be tabled and made a **motion** to have the board members and neighbors submit their questions to the Board by the following Tuesday. Those questions would then be consolidated and sent to FOPIR on Wednesday. FOPIR would respond by February 1, 2008. Renee and Sue seconded the motion. Betty proposed to amend the motion by adding a specific timeline. All were in favor. The motion was approved. The PNA board would make their decision in two weeks.

2. Minutes. The November 27, 2007 Minutes were reviewed. Renee recognized a typo to be corrected. Susan made a **motion** to approve the minutes with the correction. Greg seconded the motion. All were in favor. The minutes were approved.

3. Treasurer's Report. Betty presented the Treasurer's report, updated the Board on recent activity and suggested cancelling the telephone/voicemail expense. She also suggested that the Board consider a different form of recordkeeping and budgeting. The Board discussed the history of PNA work plan, budgeting and goal setting. The Board suggested line items that they would like to include in future Treasurer reports. made a **motion** to eliminate the voicemail/telephone expense. Betty seconded the motion. Greg suggested waiting. Motion was approved. Proposal for Treasurer to Maintain Petty Cash Fund. Betty made a proposal for the Treasurer to create and maintain a petty cash fund. The board was in agreement and requested that petty cash system policies/procedures be created.

4. Request for Authorization of \$30 for Tree Planting. Susan made a **motion** to request authorization for funds not to exceed \$30 for the Friends of Trees tree planting. Greg seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was approved.

5. Confirm Quarterly PNA Forum Meetings with Columbia Cottage. Susan made a **motion** that the future PNA Quarterly Forum meetings be held at and confirmed with Columbia Cottage. Greg seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was approved.

6. Reports. Greg gave a report on the ICURA (Interstate Corridor Urban Renewal Area) meeting. He noted that nothing has been allotted to the Portsmouth Neighborhood for this year. He encouraged the Board to plan for next year and to gather input on ideas for the Portsmouth neighborhood for next year's funding opportunities. Greg also gave an update on the website activities.

7. Paragraph 9 from the November 27, 2007 PNA Minutes. Jeanne noted that the board made a motion to table the land use item addressed at the last PNA board meeting – Paragraph 9. Matt proposed that this topic remain tabled at this time. The board agreed.

8. Board Development. The Board members noted that the FOPIR discussion went long and that there was not enough time to go over board development activities. The board agreed to set up at a separate time for a retreat to address board development and other PNA goal setting. The board agreed to meet on February 5, 2008 at the Kenton Firehouse (if available) from 6:30pm-9:30pm. The board agreed to have Tom facilitate the retreat.

9. Other. Susan mentioned that *The Sentinel* website is adding a feature for Neighborhood Associations to post events on the site. They requested that we identify a Neighborhood Editor to be responsible for postings. The board was interested and requested two weeks in order to make a decision and identify someone to take that position.

Meeting adjourned at 9pm.

Minutes prepared by Renee Jensen Reinhardt