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Minutes of the Portsmouth Neighborhood Association Board of Directors Meeting
October 18, 2011 – 7:00-8:30 PM at the Community Education Center, 4625 N. Trenton Ave.

Attendees:

Board Members: Sam Thompson (Chair); Vicki Ezell (Vice Chair); Greg Wilhelm (Treasurer and acting Secretary); Jason Barnstead-Long;
Board Members: Kevin McCarter; Paul Seer
Guests: Mark Padilla, Portland Police
Quorum: Yes

Treasurer's report:

- Our current balance is \$2714.22.
- We took in \$380 for dumpster day. Half of that will go to the University Park Neighborhood Association.
- We are awaiting the tipping cost for the yard debris dumpster.
- The PNA owes Vicki \$15.00 for the Shell Station ad.
- Sam has a Copy Pilot receipt for the \$67.50 printing costs for the flyer we distributed to the public schools advertising the dumpster day. We utilized a credit to pay for the printing costs.

Committee Reports:

- Community Outreach
 - No report
- Livability
 - Dumpster Day: Filled two garbage and one yard debris dumpsters. Had a good community turn out. Needed more volunteers to help unload cars and supervise dumping. The tent position could be improved to facilitate money collection. Ideally we would have one dedicated person per dumpster to make sure the proper materials go into the proper dumpster. Also, we would ideally have a person that directs traffic to the correct dumpster and one person to collect money. Might have the metal recyclers show up later in the event. Sam delivered a truck load of material to the Rebuilding Center. Should consider advertising at Farrels Reality. Vicki is making a check list for the dumpster day so that there is better continuity when we have new members run this event.
 - Clarendon School: The vacant school continues to attract crime. The PNA is not satisfied with the status quo of Portland Public Schools keeping this building as a vacant "swing space." Vicki and other board members discussed creating a questionnaire or petition for the neighbors that surround the site. We should also ask the neighbors what they would like done with the site. A suggestion is to put a fence around the school to decrease vandalism and people sleeping there. We are especially motivated because the community garden will open next spring.
 - Clarendon Garden: Vicki is going to hold two painting sessions over the next two weekends for the shed that is there. There is a carved sign up.



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- Communications
 - Storage Location for Board Materials: Vicki suggested having a storage place on the website server for board member info. Greg will send out instructions on how to log in using FTP and upload/download materials.
 - Newsletter: We printed 1500 flyers promoting dumpster day and gave them Astor, Cesar Chavez and Rosa Parks schools for distribution. We printed the text in English and Spanish as well. This proved to be a very good method for flyer distribution.
- Land Use
 - Bike Lane: The city is proposing bike lanes along Lombard from Portsmouth to Ida.
- Events
 - At this time we do not have a chair for this committee.
 - Holiday Party: Tentatively planning to hold it on December 14, 2011. Sam will check to see if the Friends of Columbia Park voted to give us the Columbia Cottage for free. Sam will check with Mark Burden about his band availability.

New Business:

- Police Report: The Portland Police have been focusing attention on several burglaries near 9400 block of Portsmouth. They have leads and hope to have closure soon. They are also investigating the resale of the stolen goods on Craigslist and at the flea markets.
- Susan Landauer resigned from the board, board committees and city committees.
- Jason nominated Greg to be the Interstate Corridor Urban Renewal Area Committee member. Greg accepted. Motion passed.
- University Park Business District (UPBD): Greg will no longer participate in the meetings. Jason will show up when possible. Tatiana is our primary PNA representative.
- Board Retreat: The PNA would like to spend time at a future meeting reviewing the retreat goals and how/when we are going to address them. We may reassign some goals to other quadrants as our board is smaller.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM
Minutes taken by Greg Wilhelm