

Arbor Lodge Neighborhood Association
Agenda
Thursday, September 20, 2018
Historic Kenton Firehouse 8105 N. Brandon

6:30 - 6:35 Introductions

Attendance: Ginger Edwards, Bob Green, Rowan Wade, Nancy Hedrick, Mark Wyman, Mary Jaron Kelly, Tom Crane, Brie Pape, Tim Pape, Beth Staus , Amber Dennis.

6:35 – 7:00 Letter of support for letters of support for applications to metro + DEQ to pursue deconstruction and material re-use projects.

Sharon moved that we take a straw vote, Amber seconded...unanimous support from the room.

Rowan and Mark report on North Portland Transportation Kickoff event

7:00 – 7:30 Ben DeJarnette, Bridgelineer

[Bridgelineer](#) is a local publication in Portland that will be doing a series this fall on housing affordability. Ben (Bridgelineer's director) is hoping to learn more about how neighborhoods like Arbor Lodge are experiencing housing issues, and [what questions](#) residents have about the city's growth plan, residential infill proposal, etc.

Started Bridgelineer in March... daily newsletter of all things Portland. They are launching a project focused on addressing housing issues in the city. If we can answer one person's question in the newsletter, we can answer questions many people has. AL is facing the issues so many neighborhoods in the city are facing regarding housing transition. Agora journalism center at UO is underwriting this two month project.

Mark reports that our neighborhood is welcoming and interested in a variety of housing opportunities.... And that developers have a very narrow view of housing... they see it as temporary for a young group of people who will move on to another stage of life.

Bob agrees that the way units are being built here are not suitable for anyone over 25 years old. Developers are leveling our tree canopy. 2000 apartments going up....

The city is counting units with a very narrow use case.

Amber points out the impending expansion of the urban growth boundary.

Ginger talks about the concept of ownership in the neighborhood and how that engenders people to contribute and volunteer.

We are losing 80 ft large trees, not young trees. We need these to counter the heat island effect. We lost 11 trees in one year.

Rowan says... people think they're putting up more... but they are small street trees.

Sandy talks about design. Mark explains there's no way to house so many more people if everyone lives in a Craftsman.

Zoning changes... better by design... hopes to address the negative impacts of increased development.

The requirement for greenspace for residents... what happens if a whole generation of kids grow up without access to the outdoors?

Public input is seen as impeding development when the neighborhood meeting takes one hour, but it takes one year to get a permit in Portland.

Mark talks about holding development firms accountable to the reputations they promote about themselves being the best leverage we have.

Amber mentions the loss of community space and lack of possible space... we need the city to incentive a developer to create community space within a development.

Mark talks about how housing is this one unregulated necessity.

Ginger wants to require solar.

Bob states that we are missing opportunities to do things the way we can do them now.

7:30 – 7:40 501c3 Status

Mary is here to discuss...currently we use NPNS as a fiscal agent and are covered under the liability umbrella coverage,
North Portland Community works is the fiscal agent. Many neighborhoods already are. It's easier reporting, easier fundraising. There is a \$400 fee and ALNA would report directly to IRS. We would still be covered under the liability coverage.

Ginger points out that we need some bylaw changes that delineate reporting responsibilities and roles.

Mark points out that we need to be able to fundraise for capacity building.

9 in favor of 501c3 status, 1 against, 1 abstained

7:40 – 8:10 Budget Report and Finalizing Budget

\$45 request from a neighborhood block party

Amber says this request seems arbitrary and there is no way we would be able to provide this to every block. Ginger would like to honor request because they have in the past. The city provides a two-week window of free support for block parties. Ginger proposes we promote the two-week window next year. We don't have a quorum, so we should take a straw vote. Tom Crane says it's a reasonable expense for blocks to pay for the party themselves. Tim Pape asks if they previously requested \$\$ and were expecting this. Ginger says no.

8:15 – 8:25 Outreach for Pesticide Free Park Coordinator Our next work party is Saturday October 13th. Dutch Bros is coming. They will also reach out to New Seasons. It is mostly a mulching party.

Brie Pape is willing to take on coordination of pesticide free parks.

Rowan reports on Transportation Kickoff

We heard about project approval process, tolling of I5, acknowledged concerns about diversion... we would become the defacto toll free route...

North Portland Transportation Partnership is organized by north Portland neighbors.... Meeting next Thursday to let PBOT know about feedback... it wasn't clear who the organizer was or what the purpose was.

Board Elections

Ginger wants to table approval of minutes....

Current bank balance 5,876.69

\$200 to Logger's Daughter

\$135 back to Calbag Metals

review of budget.... Discussion