Brooklyn Neighborhood Association Board Meeting  
Wednesday, September 10th 2014  
Sacred Heart Villa

Board Members Present: Mark Romanaggi, Joanna Jenkins, Mike O'Connor, Tanja Olson, Carol Dennis, Don Stephens, Eric Weiland, Katie Light, Matt McComas, Marie Phillippi-Newsletter Editor, Jennifer Koozer- Tri-Met, Jean Boggs- PBOT, Michelle Sprague-HAND

Introductions made around the table of everyone present.

2. Past minutes were not adopted as they did not get distributed.

3. Board member's roles were defined: Eric- President, Wendy- Vicechair, Mark- Secretary, Don-Treasurer.

New Business:
1. Michelle talked about building heights in the Hosford-Abernathy neighborhood (HAND). She then discussed housing prices in the area and the effects of "lot splitting" for future new homes and development. A zoning land-use meeting will be held on Sept.16th at St. Phillipp Neri. The BAC will try to send a representative to it.

2. Topics needed for the September general meeting. Jacob Brostof (sp) from PBOT may speak on law enforcement tools to be used directly relating to the 17th ave. overpass on Powell Blvd..

3. It was announced that a grant writing class will be held at PSU. At this time, no one volunteered to attend.

4. The topic of "community building" projects and functions in the Brooklyn neighborhood was discussed. Possible ideas were a "fall neighborhood cleanup" similar to the "spring cleanup"; block parties; reinstituting a neighborhood foot-patrol; a possible movie to be shown for the neighborhood at the Aladdin Theatre. A discussion followed about some new and different ideas for the newsletter.

5. Neighborhood Emergency preparedness was discussed. This was about having the Brooklyn residents having accurate and specific knowledge about what to do if something of this scale occurs. Joanna and Carol will contact the City about this topic.

Old business:
1. Stacy was not present for a statement about the success this year’s Movie- in the- Park. Mark will contact the City for the neighborhood’s cost of this event. (The City said that our neighborhood cost this year would be $650.00dollars)

2. The new neighborhood banners are here. Don will handle the installation. All existing banners will be replaced.
3. Marie talked about this year’s Ice-Cream Social. Marie had put together a spread-sheet involving this year’s costs. She also had a comparison done with other years. It was very informative. Marie then announced the she is stepping down from organizing this event. She believes it should be handled by a committee. Jennifer then mentioned that next year’s social could possibly be combined with the opening celebration of the new Max-line. It was added that the event could be held at the Brooklyn School Park instead of Brooklyn Park.

4. An appeal was filed by the BAC objecting to the property development at 16th and Pershing. The Board is waiting to hear back on what occurs next.

5. The 17th ave. overpass on Powell Blvd. was discussed again with Jennifer Koozer present. It had been determined the cyclone fence height along Powell is an ODOT standard. The lighting in this area is to be improved and the black colored fencing will be improved making it harder to breach.

Re-occurring Business:
1. Tri-Met update: The traffic lights along 17th avenue are operational. An explanation was given how the traffic lights respond to passing trains in the area of 12th and Division to Powell.

2. Banner update already given.

3. Wendy not present for SEUL update.

4. Don gave the monthly BAC treasurer's report.

5. Don gave a report on the Tree Team tour. The Heritage tree from Gideon’s original orchard will be saved. This apple tree was planted in the 1870’s.


Minutes submitted by Mark Romanaggi respectfully