

Meeting Minutes Monday, December 13, 2021
Richmond Neighborhood Association Meeting

Minutes Taker: Allen Field

Meeting started 6:37, quorum present

Board Members Present: Heather Flint Chatto, Kamal Belkhatay, Allen Field, Debby Hochhalter, Brian Hochhalter, Denise Hare, Claire Cofsky, Ann Sandvig, Hope Townsell, Joanne Knowles (arrived ½ way through mtg), Albert Kaufman (left ½ way through meeting)

Board Members Absent: Madeleine Anderson-Clark, Simon Kipersztok

Guests and Neighbors Present: Richard Bruno, Justin Lindley, Angela Kockler, Rob Hertert, Jeff Brown, Gordon Hillesland, Rick Nunno, Larry Steele, Ryan Yambra, Denise Brock

Land Acknowledgement: Heather read the acknowledgement.

Adoption of November Minutes: Ann motioned, Allen second to adopt. All voted to adopt, except Albert and Joanne abstained

Announcements:

- Heather announced: Planning & Sustainability Committee will have hearing on RIP II; Historic Resources Code will be before Council 12/15; SEUL grant applications due January 10
- Claire: Gave update on Houselessness Committee project, continued during committee reports

Old Business: Nothing brought up

Crime/Safety Report: No officer in attendance

AGENDA ITEMS

1. **NARA NW** – no one showed up from NARA

2. **Multnomah Co. Assessor's Office** – Jeff Brown and Ryan Yambra gave presentation on property tax and understanding tax bill.

3. **Short Term Rentals issues and resources** – Angela Dorsey-Kockler Lewis and Robert Hertert, Host2host.com and Justin Lindley, Portland STR Code Compliance
Angela described Host2host and gave background on STRs. It is a nonprofit trade association of STR hosts focused on advocacy, education and building community among STR hosts. Most STR are Type A: up to 2 units can be rented out and limit of 5 guests/night. Type B allows up to 5 bedrooms and 10 guests, requires a conditional case review.

Justin described what his office does, how to file complaints (with BDS, 823-2633), and biggest problem his office goes after is unpermitted properties.

Q&A throughout the discussion.

4. SEUL Grant Applications

Heather described the two grant applications she is preparing:

- DEIA Capacity Building (\$1,500) to develop a model Equity Strategic Plan.
- Community Small Grant (\$4,800) for scoping/scan/needs assessment of Neighborhood Associations, and under-represented, disenfranchised and marginalized communities.

Deadline is January 10, 2022. Discussion about who would be the applicant, whether RNA is applicant or co-applicant, and possible HAND as co-applicant.

Brian motion, _____ 2nd, to authorize Heather to file grant applications with RNA as co-applicant with PDX Main Street Design and possibly HAND. Vote: Yes - Heather, Kamal, Allen Field, Debby, Brian, Claire, Ann, Hope, Joanne; No – Denise.

- 5. **January Board Retreat** – Debby described doing a SWOT analysis for the retreat, via Zoom. 1/1/22, 6:30 – 8:30pm

COMMITTEES

- **Treasurer Report** (Simon):

<u>Account</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Debits</u>	<u>Ending balance</u>
CU Share	\$5.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5.00
Business Checking	12,674.74	.52		12,675.26
12 mo. CD (1%/yr)	6,411.58			6,412.90
TOTAL				19,093.16

- **Newsletter** (Simon): Fall issue being distributed now. Last issue with Simon as editor.
- **SEUL Rep.:** Ann/Allen-Alternate: Ann: No Bylaws vote, SEUL will hire Bylaws expert to review Bylaws.
- **Annual Tree Planting** (Allen/Hope): Allen and Hope reported on Dec. 11 staged at Central Christian Church.
- **Richmond Cleanup** (Hope): She is thinking about setting the cleanup for May 14 or 21 and a SOLVE event Jan. 22 but she doesn't have a location picked out yet.
- **Richmond Ready** (Kamal): He already left the meeting.
- **Sustainability Committee** (Kamal/David Binnig??): No one to report
- **Land Use/Planning/Transportation & Land Use** (Vacant): Heather asked if RNA could resend letter on Historic Resources letter to city. Brian motions, _____ 2nd to resent letter. Yes – all in favor, No – 0, Allen abstained
- **PDX Main Street Design Initiative representative** (Heather): Heather already described the grant applications
- **Hawthorne Blvd Bus. Association Representative** (Heather): _____

- **Division/Clinton Business Association Representative (Albert):** Albert had left the meeting.
- **SE Examiner Neighborhood Notes Writer** - Minutes-taker is Allen.
- **Sewallcrest Park/Community Spaces (Allen):** The tents at Sewallcrest were removed on late November, but 1 tent and 2 vehicles have already returned, 1 is a 5th wheel trailer someone towed now there.
- **Liquor Licenses (Allen/Hope):** Nothing to report.
- **DEIA:** No report given.
- **Houselessness:** Claire summarized projects committee is thinking about and will do clothes drive after the holidays.

Meeting adjourned 8:50, next RNA Meeting February 14, 2022