

WKNA Board Meeting

July 10, 2014

Rhonda Rich's home

Minutes submitted by Carolyn Homan, secretary

Attending: Rhonda Rich, President

Carol Doerfler, Vice President

Carolyn Homan, Secretary

Ron Freeman

Art Mauer

Clint Holland

Absent: Gary Blake

Rhonda called the meeting called to order at 7:20 p.m.

Rhonda confirmed that Gary will continue with Board service in the fall. (You can delete this sentence if you want.) WKNA is still seeking a volunteer to replace Davis in updating the website. Carol said she would contact neighborhood member Barb Henke about website duties, since she has worked as a computer specialist.

Approval of minutes -- Board reviewed minutes from the June board meeting. Carolyn noted that three corrections noted by Rhonda had been made. Ron moved approval and Carol seconded. Minutes were approved.

Budget for 2014-15 -- Rhonda said there have been no expenditures from the current \$900 budget.

Getting the word out --

Reaching out to the neighborhood: The Board discussed printing a newsletter at the last meeting as a way to help get the word out to the neighborhood but cost estimates received were prohibitive. As an alternative, Rhonda proposed printing more WKNA brochures on the nice trifold paper and then buying some brochures holders that could be put out along with the neighborhood meeting signs. That way people who are interested could get information about WKNA and it would perhaps generate interest in the meetings. The hope is that it would be more cost-effective than a mass mailing. A website was offering a brochure holder for \$14-\$15 each. Ron suggested getting 5 to start to see how sturdy they are.

She also checked with Staples regarding printing. Although printing just 50 costs \$35 (plus \$25 for the paper), costs drop at higher quantities. She suggested getting 2,000 printed for \$250, which includes folding. With 10 signs and 10 brochures/sign, WKNA would use 1,000 for the 10 meetings this year and then have enough brochures for next year. WKNA could also have brochures available at meetings, as well, which we have not been doing.

Ron moved that WKNA get 2,000 brochures printed for \$250 and purchase 5 stands for display with the yard signs. Carol seconded. Motion passed. Art will place the brochure stands along with the meeting notice yard signs.

Website: Rhonda will contact Davis about posting information about National Nite Out, which is Tuesday, Aug. 5. She asked Carol to post the information on Facebook, as well, and noted that Carol has been doing a great job updating the WKNA Facebook page. Rhonda also said that John Knox is having a neighborhood barbecue Aug. 20 and has asked WKNA to help publicize the event. The information will be shared on the website and Facebook page. Carol said that the church has invited the WKNA Board to attend and has said WKNA can have an informational table to pass out brochures and alert neighbors to the association's meetings.

Cummings School Poster -- Rhonda shared the poster and brochure holder advertising WKNA that had been in place at Cummings School the second half of the school year.

Adopt a Street report -- Rhonda contacted Gary and he said that Saturday, July 19, would work for him to hold a quarterly Adopt a Street cleanup. Volunteers will work the section from Keizer Rapids Park to Windsor Island, because of the ongoing construction on Chemawa Road east of Windsor Island.

Keizer Rapids Playstructure report/Marion Co.Fair -- Ron said the playstructure committee has an informational booth at the county fair, which runs July 10-13. He said representatives really need to be there to provide information and answer questions because many people don't know anything about the playstructure project, or

even where Keizer Rapids Park is or what's there already. He said volunteers still are needed for shifts throughout the weekend. Rhonda said she would get an email alert out to the WKNA list and have potential volunteers contact him. Admission is free to those volunteering.

Ron said the playstructure committee met this week and reviewed the updated website. It is still not live because some elements, such as the volunteer signup process, aren't quite yet in a form that was desired.

He said he was a little disappointed in the Parks Board meeting set up to get input from area sports groups about desired amenities at Keizer Rapids. He said he thought the information provided by Rhonda from the WKNA session was the best planners will have to work with.

WKNA Parks Reporter /Needs Analysis – Carol has surveyed the neighborhood's parks to count existing picnic tables and note needs. One new table is needed at Sunset Park and two of the three at Wallace House are in the sun and probably should be moved to more sheltered areas. Clint said he would work with city staffer Robert Johnson on obtaining new tables, including two more for the Keizer Rapids dog park.

Palma Cica pool – This neighborhood pool is no longer a viable operation and is for sale for \$79,000. Carol said there are about \$20,000 in liens against the property and an unspecified Visa bill also is due. Clint said he planned to meet with Public Works Director Bill Lawyer about the possibility of the city taking over the property, although it was agreed that cities don't like to manage pools because of the expensive upkeep.

KRP buffer zone planting – Rhonda shared her proposal to get landscapers to adopt sections of the buffer zone from Tate Ave. down along the east edge of the park as a way to display their talents. WKNA could apply for grant funding from the new Parks Advisory Board fund to purchase materials the landscapers could use. This would be a project for the fall.

Cummings Elementary School – sidewalks on Delight –

Traffic/Bikeways/Pedestrian Committee: Rhonda, Carol and Art attended the June 26 Traffic/Bikeways/Pedestrian Committee meeting as a way to continue promoting the importance of getting sidewalks along Delight to aid student safety. The idea has gained momentum and Bill Lawyer is working on a couple of scenarios. Art said Bill said there's room for sidewalks but not bike paths as well, which creates a problem if that will leave a gravel area between the sidewalk and the street. Bill is planning to meet with representatives from WKNA, the school and the PTC. A traffic study confirms the heavy traffic load in the area.

Safe Routes to School Program – This is on hold until October. Rhonda and Carol are hoping Hersh Sangster will take the lead on this and help get the school involved as another way to improve student safety.

Rhonda noted that she is encouraged that something is going to happen to improve safety along Delight Street, which is a major pathway for students to both Cummings Elementary and McNary High School to the north.

Tow Trucks Parking in the City of Keizer – Rhonda said Council has denied tow truck parking on city streets but the Planning Commission is to consider a proposal July 23 to increase the allowable weight for trucks parked in home driveways. Rhonda is considering testifying and asked for Board input on this proposal. The consensus was that the WKNA Board opposes tow trucks under any circumstances because of the related noise issues (backup beepers and two-way radios, usually in the middle of the night); the lights; allowing a business in a residential area; and potential obstruction of sidewalks and other traffic vision hindrances.

No parking zone in front of 4585 Shoreline Drive property – Council approved this at its July 7 meeting. Rhonda has asked that a letter be sent to the property owner to encourage employees to not park in front of neighboring properties.

June 12

Special General Meeting – review survey – Rhonda shared the survey results she presented at the Parks board meeting and noted that she hoped the planners take it to heart because it's good information that represents public sentiment.

Topics for meetings -- The group brainstormed potential topics for upcoming meetings. **For September**, placing park amenities for the Keizer Rapids Park Master Planning process will be scheduled, in advance of the community-wide Design Charette set for Sept. 20

For October, election presentations were mentioned as a potential topic, including candidates and representatives of various initiatives.

For November, Carol suggested inviting Christine Dieker from Keizer Chamber to talk about upcoming holiday events in Keizer. She also suggested getting representatives from Silverton Health, and possibly Kaiser Permanente, to talk about the health facilities under construction in town. The Silverton Health presentation may move to January.

Rhonda noted there will be no Board meeting in September unless a major issue arises.

As an aside, Ron said that the playstructure project has received a \$30,000 grant from Marion County, which will allow the playstructure itself to be built, even though the project lost out this year on the \$150,000 grant from the state. The city could dip into SDC funding to pay for the rest of the project if more grants don't come through.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.
WKNA Board Meeting Agenda
September 4, 2014 6:30-8:30

Approval of minutes - July 10, 2014

Budget for 2014-2015 - Total Expenditures: \$69.99 for printer ink

Getting the word out-

Keizertimes, K23, Chamber website, KYKN, SJ - Carolyn & Carol
Website - manager? Sept. meeting info
Facebook postings - Carol - NNO- August 20th JKPC Bar-b-que
Yard Sign manager - Art
Cummings School Poster - Rhonda
Brochures-approved \$250 for printing & \$75 for holders - Rhonda

Adopt a Street report- Gary - vests and sign at KRP entrance -date?

Keizer Rapids Playstructure report - Ron

WKNA Parks Reporter/Needs Analysis- - Clint - picnic tables?

Cummings Elementary School -sidewalks on Delight -Carol
-Safe Routes to School Program - October meeting?

Tow Trucks Parking in the City of Keizer - Rhonda
-City Council decision from 8/18/14- ordinance was not changed

KRP Master Planning-

-June 12th Special General Meeting results were presented at the July 8th Parks Board meeting
- need 3 representatives for Design Charettes on September 27th

Topics for meetings: September Placing amenities in KRP
 Police report
 Suggestions for topics

October Candidates & initiatives

November _____

WKNA General Meeting at 7:00pm on Thursday, September 11th