

WKNA Board meeting  
April 28, 2022 7 p.m., Rhonda's house (May 5 meeting rescheduled)  
Submitted by Carolyn Homan, Secretary

**Attending:** Rhonda Rich, Art Mauer, Robb Witters, Gary Blake, Carolyn Homan Kris Adams, Carol Phipps, Dennis Phipps,

**Call to Order:** Rhonda Rich, 7 p.m.

**Minutes of April 7 meeting** – Art moved approval as submitted; Kris seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

**Volunteer of the Week from Keizer Times** -- Rhonda shared the clip from the April 22 Keizer Times honoring Kris.

## REPORTS

**Budget** – 2021-22 Expenditures totaled \$543.07: \$156 on boxes and brochure stands; \$131 on printing; \$195 on the website; and \$60 on sign inserts have a \$60 (for Palma Ciega work day, etc.) Rhonda will attend the May 9 Budget Committee in support of the 2022-23 ask for \$800. With newsletter printing added to costs along with the need for more brochures and replacement of brochure boxes due to vandalism, expenses are rising.

**Brochures** – With Dennis's discount, we got 1,000 brochures for \$289 at FedEx Office. That should be good for a couple of years.

**Signs and stands** – Art said supply is good for now.

**Newsletter** -- Content can be discussed at the June 2 Board meeting. Updates on the Community Library proposal to go to public status, the proposal for turf sports fields at Keizer Rapids and the move of Keizer Fest to KRP will be among the prospects.

**Little Library** – Kris shared a draft of a sticker she designed to put in donated books to show that the library is a WKNA-sponsored effort. Rhonda said she'd like to see the WKNA website as part of it. Kris will continue to fine-tune it.

**Facebook and Nextdoor** -- Carol will post information to Facebook related to Cummings School, Parks and the food barrel donations. Carolyn will post info on WKNA meetings and city-related meetings and activity. Both will share relevant information with Kris to post to Nextdoor.

**Getting the Word Out** -- Carolyn said meeting announcements had been posted to the Chamber, Salem Reporter and KMUZ. The interview with KMUZ about the April meeting went pretty well.

**Food barrels** – Donations have only totaled 60 pounds in the last month. Rhonda suggested posting a request for people to bring a food donation when they show up for the Palma Ciega park clean-up event.

**Cummings** – Principal Kronser has scheduled a May 14 cleanup event with the McNary leadership group and PTA providing volunteers. The school district is providing bark dust. No word

on the hours. May 14 is the Bike Skills Fair at City Hall from 1-3 p.m.

**Parks** – Dennis said crews have mowed Sunset and trimmed some of the trees at Palma Ciega in advance of the cleanup.

**Keizer United** -- Rhonda said she had attended the recent meeting of this group, which Carol D. used to attend fairly often. Perhaps WKNA Board could rotate attendance as a way to make connections with other Keizer groups.

**Traffic** – We're still pursuing mitigation efforts on Cummings and Shoreline. Bill Lawyer informed Rhonda and Carolyn that we have to initiate a city response via the Traffic Management Program, which was adopted on 1999. Rhonda and Carolyn testified at Traffic Safety committee about the issue and will continue to follow up with them. Rhonda has sent an email to Bill as the first step in the official Traffic Management process. He has said more studies will have to be done to ensure that an actual problem exists. Rhonda, Carolyn and Robb will continue to pursue the four-way stop at Dearborn and Shoreline as well as a speed table at Cummings and Delight where the school crossing exists.

**KRP multi-sport fields** -- Rhonda testified at City Council about this proposal, including a request to be included as part of a task force to be appointed to study the proposal. The mayor has decided to appoint a work group (Council members only) as a first step. WKNA will need to follow the deliberations. Adequate parking and lighting are two main issues. Rhonda suggested going back to County Commissioner Willis, who first brought the idea to WKNA, to emphasize that we want to be involved in ongoing negotiations.

**Community library** – Kris asked everyone who supports the library's proposal to become a public library associated with Chemeketa Community Regional Library Service to post your support on social media, write letters or emails to City Council, or write letters to the editor. The Council work group of Dan Kohler, Shaney Starr and Laura Reid are looking at the proposal's sustainability.

Rhonda asked about the petitions that had been circulated – one was shared at a WKNA meeting. Those should help show level of community support. Kris will check into it. Rob suggested bringing it up at the general meeting to get feedback.

**Bike Skills Fair** -- Kris is working with Hersch Sangster and volunteers are needed for the event to be held from 1-3 p.m. Saturday May 14 at City Hall. There will be a bike helmet fitting area, a bike skills course set up in the parking lot and bike inspections provided by the Bike Hub.

**Palma Ciega cleanup** – This is set for 9 to noon Saturday May 7. Carol said the fir trees near the picnic table have been limbed up. Carol said the city still needs to spray along the bank to knock back vines and weeds in advance of the work day. Matt Lawyer is bringing a trailer and a small tractor, as well as trash cans and tools. Rhonda said she will bring some heavy trash bags and some first-aid items. She will put up signs at Cummings and Shoreline announcing the day. Carol suggested putting one at Cummings School. She will ask Robert about whether we need the city's volunteer release form and she will bring a sign-up sheet.

**May meeting** -- Rhonda said speakers are lined up – Eric Bandonis from Marion Co. Sheriff's office; Jenny Ammon, Keizer's Education and Outreach coordinator; Clint Holland on the amphitheater concerts; and Mary Jo Emmet on the John Knox summer barbecue.

**Adjourned at 8:50 p.m. Next Board meeting:** June 2 at Robb's house