

WKNA Board Meeting

Jan. 4, 2024, 7 p.m.

At Rhonda's house

Submitted by Carolyn Homan, WKNA Secretary

Attending: Rhonda Rich, Robb Witters, Art Mauer, Gary Blake, Carolyn Homan, Carol Phipps

Call to Order: Rhonda called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Upcoming General meeting, election of officers, coming year – Group discussed upcoming meeting. Rhonda agreed to serve as President again. Other Board also willing to serve again. Rhonda can't be at meeting because of surgery. Carol D. to run the meeting; Carol P. will run the election process. Jenny Ammon is General meeting speaker since Chief Copeland had to back out. He has been rescheduled for May, along with Neighborhood Watch speaker.

Approval of Nov. 7 minutes – Gary moved approval of the minutes from Nov. 7, as submitted. Robb seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2022-23 Budget – Rhonda reported spending of \$804.84: \$124.50 for 250 copies of newsletter; \$61.99 for printer ink; \$29.50 for lanyards; \$19.48 for brochure box for city lobby and paper; \$37.83 for NTMP copies; \$324.49 for brochures; \$26.99 for brochure boxes; \$180 for 5 yard signs. We have a balance of \$395.16, which will cover the website fee and another \$100 or so for another newsletter. We could end with about a \$100 balance.

Getting the word out

Website – Rhonda said Barb is still willing to handle updating the website. Board needs to form a committee to review content and work on so we can renew some of the content in this next year.

Subscription to city information – Rhonda is adding the link to every meeting agenda she sends out so people can sign up for the city distribution list if they want to.

Signs – Rhonda will deliver the 5 new signs to Art. We should focus on the east area around Church and Elizabeth, which has been lacking meeting signage.

Brochures – Carol P. has these and will bring some to the January meeting

Little Library – Carol said it's going well. She will start putting the bookmarks in books this month.

Keizer Community Library – No report from Kris.

Facebook -- Carolyn will post meeting reminder

Keizer Chamber calendar – Rhonda will contact Corrie about how we can get meeting notices up for all the NAs, not just Southeast

Cummings Connection – Rhonda will send the agenda to Principal Kronser for inclusion in the Cummings newsletter.

REPORTS

Food barrels – Carol P. said cash donations were down from last year. 2023 totals were BiMart 1,408 pounds; Copper Creek 1,582 pounds and \$580; Keizer Fire 260 pounds. Carol P. will ask Dennis to ask Keizer Fire to have people bring food donations when KFD has events like pancake breakfast and their open house.

Keizer United – Carolyn will attend the Monday meeting. Rhonda asked Board members assigned to meeting coverage to do a quick post-meeting write-up and share with other Board members.

Cummings School

PTA – We should have good coverage between Rhonda, Kris, Carol D. and Amber Zimbleman (parent liaison).

Reader Board planter -- Carol P. said a spring break replant will be the next activities. The planter pots are looking good.

Parks –

Palma Ciea -- Gary staying on top of maintenance. Can call Robert about moving schedule.

Willamette Manor -- Carol P. said the hill plantings look good. She repositioned the tape barrier, which someone had torn down. She said tagging is a big problem in this park. She texted thanks to Robert for the City's quick action to repaint the latest taggings.

Wallace House and Sunset -- Carol P. said she is willing to do another project in another park if there are grant possibilities.

KRP fields – Rhonda will email Rep. Mannix re: resubmitting funding bid for the field project during the upcoming short session. Carolyn to email Adam Brown for update on status of the project and whether any other stakeholder group meetings are planned.

Traffic Safety – Robb said the Neighborhood Traffic Management plan is still in process. The committee is holding a joint session with Council Jan. 18 to discuss the plan. WKNA Board members need to be there. The percent of outreach to neighbors to get approval of a traffic project and the type of outreach are still at issue. Rhonda would like to see the City take on outreach. Robb said the committee has created a list of projects it wants to pursue and will use that to focus their efforts in the coming year.

Planning Commission – Robb is now a commissioner. He said the Dearborn partition/variance matter has been appealed. Mixed Use Walkable Areas is an upcoming focus for city planning. Shane Witham will be WKNA speaker in March.

St. Edward's Community Dinner – Robb and family, Dennis and his sister and Carolyn all attended to help out with the Thanksgiving Dinner. Probably served about 450 that night. It was a good experience. May look at doing this again on **Thanksgiving** or some other month.

Response to city's Strategic Plan – City is seeking input. Carolyn said the current survey provides a summary of the plan's main points and then just has just 2 questions for input: Does the plan match your vision for Keizer for the next 5 years and what changes would you make?

Upcoming meetings

Jan. 8 – Keizer United – Carolyn to attend

Jan. 9 – Parks Board – Carol P. to attend

Jan. 9 – Cummings PTA – Kris (Rhonda will call her)

Jan. 10 – Planning Commission, Robb

Jan. 18 – Traffic Safety/Council joint meeting – all Board if possible

WKNA General Meetings 2024

Jan. – Elections, Jenny Ammon, Environmental Education and Outreach Coordinator for City of Keizer

February – Liberty House – Max Gutfreund/Adrienne Christian; Simonka House: Melissa Ludington and Director Kathy ?; Eric Bandonis, Marion Co. Parole/Probation Deputy

March – Shane Witham, Community Development Director

March 20 – State of the City, Joint NA meeting hosted by Northwest Keizer NA

April – Joint NA Candidate Forum hosted by WKNA. NEED MODERATOR; LIST OF QUESTIONS, ETC.

May – Neighborhood Watch Program/Chief Copeland

Meeting adjourned: 8:30 p.m. Next Board meeting: Thursday, Feb. 1, 7 p.m., site TBA; discuss "no soliciting" signs

