

WKNA Board Meeting

Feb.7, 2019

At Rhonda Rich's home

Submitted by Carolyn Homan, WKNA Secretary

Attending: Rhonda Rich, Carol Phipps, Dennis Phipps, Art Mauer, Kathy Lincoln, Gary Blake, Carolyn Homan

Absent: Carol Doerfler

Approval of minutes – Carol Phipps called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. and asked for a motion to approve the Board minutes from Nov. 1, which were not considered at the December meeting. Rhonda so moved and Gary seconded. Motion carried. Carol then asked for a motion to approve the Board minutes from Dec. 27 (the January meeting was moved ahead). Rhonda so moved and Dennis seconded. Motion carried.

Budget – Rhonda said we have spent \$137 from the \$500 budget – \$77 for printing and \$60 for signage. She said that she would like to divide up the remainder to cover more printing. Kris Adams did not receive anything for the printing she did last year and Carol P. should get some for this year. The remainder would go to Rhonda, who has done a great deal of printing for the neighborhood with regard to developments in the shooting incidents.

Dennis asked if we could get sturdier posts for the WKNA meeting signs – something like the heavy duty posts used with the brochure boxes. He said he will find out how much they cost and Rhonda said we can consider getting a few when we set the 2019-20 budget.

Getting the Word Out

Website and k23, Carol P. – She said she will email the general meeting agenda to Barb Smith for posting to the Web.

Facebook, Carol D. – Rhonda said Carol is posting as she can while tending to her mother in New Jersey.

Statesman Journal, Keizer Chamber, Keizertimes, KMUZ, Carolyn – She said notices have not been posted but will be in the next few days.

Signs and flyers, Dennis and Art – No change

Discussion Topics:

John Knox Community Gardens, Carol P. – She had received an informational sheet from Mary Jo Emmett about the John Knox Community Garden. The Garden has plots available for the coming growing season and no waiting list for the first time in 2 years. Carol will make copies of the information sheet to share at the general meeting. Carol said the new contact at Marion Polk Food Share might be a good potential speaker because MPFS has new programs available. She also said she still needs to contact Kim Freeman to see if she is available this month to give the Council report.

2018 Annual Report, Carolyn & Rhonda – Rhonda has been contacted by Traci at City of Keizer about WKNA's annual report. Traci said reports could be presented the 1st or 3rd Monday in March. Rhonda will plan for the 3rd Monday, given the uncertainties around Carol Doerfler's potential return from the East Coast. Rhonda also said she had concerns about how to handle the timeline on the shootings and WKNA activities related to those incidents.

Errant gunshots from across the river update, including SB5 – Rhonda shared a copy of SB5, sponsored by Sen. Peter Courtney and drafted in response to concerns about gun fire emanating from a West Salem gravel pit gun range. The Board discussed the content and had questions about the lack of a definition of "shooting range" in the bill, whether the bill actually applies to the West Keizer situation and

whether residents would be called on to testify should the bill come up for a hearing. Rhonda noted that April 9-10 is set for the hearing on the Bauer lawsuit in Marion County Circuit Court.

Willamette Manor tennis courts, Dennis Phipps – He said information at the last Parks Advisory Board meeting indicated the courts would be replaced this summer. He said he would like them to look at changing the footprint of amenities at that time, including moving the basketball hoop and the tether ball. He said the newly installed asphalt paths are still an issue as well – they are too high, with a sharp drop off. The Parks Board would like neighborhood input and plans to set up a meeting with park neighbors. Dennis will follow up.

Delight St. update, Kathy – The Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS) grant request was not selected but she said Bill Lawyer hopes to get a walking path funded in the next city budget. The project would involve a path on the west side of Delight from Cummings School all the way to Chemawa Road. It was suggested WKNA needs to write a letter of support to the Budget Committee. Kathy will work on that with Bill. Kathy also said the Keizer Traffic Safety, Bikeways, Pedestrian Committee will continue to work on the sidewalks issue and may resubmit for a SRTS grant.

Keizer Revitalization Plan, Kathy – Kathy, Gary and Carolyn attended recent small group presentations with the consultants on this project to review proposals developed. The public open house on the plan will be held Tuesday, Feb. 12, at City Hall. Gary to report on this at the general meeting.

Upcoming meetings:

Keizer United – Meets next Monday, Feb. 11, at 12:15 p.m. at the Keizer Fire Hall. Danielle Bethell will be the speaker. Rhonda plans to attend.

Keizer Revitalization Plan Open House, City Hall, 6-8 p.m.

WKNA General, 7 p.m. Feb. 14, City Hall – Speakers are Eric Bandonis, Marion County Parole and Probation Officer; Kathy Lincoln, Cherriots Board member with an update on transportation services; Center for Hope and Safety, Dana Schell (Carol P. to contact Dana to confirm this.)

WKNA Board, March 7 – Location TBD

WKNA General, March 14 – Keizer Mayor Cathy Clark, State of the City

WKNA General, April 11 – Galen McAllister, Garten Foundation