

May 2012 Minutes
Collins View Neighborhood Association (CVNA)
Next Board Meeting--- Wednesday, June 6, 2012, 7 pm
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Attendees: Prakash Joshi, Stefanie Adams (SWNI Crime Prevention Officer), Anna Browne, Officer Andrew Caspar, David DelMar, Maureen Diamond, Jeff Feld-Gore, Dana Fischer, Kimberly French, Dave and Dixie Johnston, Charlotte Joshi, Walter Lamberti, Gene Lynard, Maryellen Read, Matt Steven, James Vandomelen, Samantha Walker

Meeting convened at 7 pm. There are no requests for Bylaws changes, so they will stand as revised 1 year ago. Agenda was passed around, and no new items were added.

Crime and Public Safety—Officer Caspar modeled his new dark blue uniform!! No crime reports from general neighborhood in last month; just the “usual” crime reports from Lewis & Clark (L&C) College. Uncle John’s Market at SW Taylors Ferry and Spring Garden had a window broken; \$1000 worth of items (tobacco) was stolen. A silent alarm went off but thief was gone when police arrived 4 minutes later.

Officer Caspar asked for input re: traffic spots we’d like him to patrol. Ted Scheinman recommended closer monitoring of bike boxes to remind drivers to observe them. Gene reminded us of complaints from a resident last month re: drivers going at high speed along short stretch of Boones Ferry between SW Terwilliger and Palatine Hill Rd. Anna Browne asks for more monitoring of drivers on cell phones.

Gene Lynard reported on SWNI Public Safety meeting where the discussion centered on emergency response. Fire stations will be a point of contact, and they are working on improving communication. Gene also researched Portland’s noise ordinance and found that there are provisions that apply to the problems described by David DelMar with loud mowing occurring before 7 am in the cemetery behind his home. DelMar has reached an understanding with the Ahavi Shalom cemetery manager that mowing will not begin before 9 am.

In a continuation of efforts reported in recent months, L&C is willing to be designated as mass casualty station for an emergency. This allows storage of important items for emergency readiness.

SWNI Report—Fran is transitioning to be our Parks rep; she did not have SWNI report this month. Prakash spoke to Leonard Gart at SWNI who believes that the map he currently has of Collins View is not accurate; Prakash will be sure SWNI has the most current map that is in our Bylaws.

L&C College—Seniors will graduate on Sunday. Miles has been elected to a 2nd term to serve on the CVNA board. Zander, who liaisoned with us before his study-abroad in Japan, will be student government President when he returns to campus.

Jeff Feld-Gore continues to respond to neighborhood reports of apparent student parties in Collins View. Lately, a few reports have been traced to PSU students living in the neighborhood; such incidents are referred to Jeff’s PSU counterpart, with whom he has a good working relationship. If you have concerns about noisy parties that may involve L&C students, call 503-

768-7777 (L&C Campus Safety), 503-768-7186 (Jeff's office). It is also appropriate to call Portland's non-emergency police number 503-823-3333.

Jeff attended training from Dept of Ed about alcohol use at student parties, how to address these issues. OLCC was present, as were several Multnomah County agencies (with new grants to curb alcohol use in 18-24 year olds). L&C will be one of the first entities that these agencies will work with. Jeff will appreciate reports from residents to identify "nuisance" houses—a nuisance presents a significant problem, not just a one-time-only party house. Samantha observed that L&C is leading the way among colleges with regards to curbing student abuse of alcohol.

Prakash read a letter he recently received at his home (other Collins View residents received this too; see pdf here <http://www.portlandonline.com/oni/index.cfm?a=393854&c=46727>) asking for input if there were any objections to renewal of liquor licenses for establishments south of Burnside. Current licenses expire June 30. Deadline for comments is May 15. If you have concerns, contact Theresa Marchetti, City of Portland Liquor License Specialist, at 503-823-3092 or theresa.marchetti@portlandoregon.gov.

There was some discussion about the gas station at SW Terwilliger and Taylors Ferry keeping the store open late at night after the gas islands are closed. Claire Davis Parchment pointed out the importance of balancing small business owner goals with issues of neighborhood safety.

L&C Biology Dept is partnering with the city on restoring the habitat in the land the city recently bought from Riverview Cemetery for parks land.

Annual Meeting—Prakash surveyed officers/delegates present tonight re: willingness to continue:

Parks and Rec rep—Fran Laird (this is a new position for Fran, who has been SWNI rep)

Dana Fischer—Palatine Hill Delegate #4

Maureen Diamond—secretary

Maryellen Read—Palatine Hill Delegate #2

Jim Vandomelen—Treasurer

Jeff Feld-Gore—L&C staff rep

Walter Lamberti—L&C Neighbors #1

Gene—Crime and Public Safety rep

Land Use—Dave and Dixie Johnston

Chair – Prakash (no other volunteers tonight)

Unanimous vote to allow current delegates/officers above to continue to serve.

Slate of new reps:

Maplecrest Court Delegate—Anna Browne

Boones Ferry Rd Delegate(between SW Trwilliger and Palatine Hill)—Matt Steven

SWNI Rep—Claire Davis Parchment

Unanimous vote to elect new delegates/officers as above.

Jeff will have CVNA meeting signs reprinted (larger print, easier to read) this summer. Please be sure he gets current signs after the June meeting.

Miscellaneous—Walter Lamberti had an disappointing experience calling the non-emergency police number (503-823-3333)—he got a tape and was being directed to call another number; he was concerned about how to report important but non-urgent matters. Samantha suggests

hit “0” or “1” if you get the recorded prompts when calling 823-3333. The non-emergency number gets 30,000 calls a day; it is a 24-7 number.

Transportation—Prakash would like attendees to review a letter he has drafted to ask Peter Koonce to re-evaluate traffic flows, esp Terwilliger and Taylors Ferry and Terwilliger at Maplecrest. If anyone has suggestions as of now, let Prakash know. Then he will draft the letter and let us review it.

Annual Picnic—Annual CVNA Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, Aug 5. This is during the dates designated for “National Night Out”, and Stefanie encouraged us to tie into this event with the picnic. Dana will be out of the country. Kimberly, Maryellen, Jeff, Claire will help with planning and preparations.

Adjourn 8:20

Our next Meeting will be on Wednesday, June 6, 7 to 9 pm at Riverdale High School. Next meeting June . No meetings in July or August

The Annual Neighborhood Picnic will occur on Sunday, August 5, at L&C.