

September 2012 Minutes

Collins View Neighborhood Association (CVNA)

Next Board Meeting--- Wednesday, October 3, 2012, 7 pm

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Attendees: Prakash Joshi, Anna Browne, Maureen Diamond, Jeff Feld-Gore, Bob Fischer, Kimberley French, Michel George, Dave and Dixie Johnston, Gene Lynard, Andrew McCarthy, Paula Robinson, James Vandomelen, Samantha Walker

Meeting convened at 7:04 pm.

Summer Picnic—Very good turnout at picnic: 125 -140, an increase from 2011. Maryellen Reed led the committee. Jeff Feld-Gore coordinated the college's contributions. Kimberley French helped, even though she couldn't attend. Bob Fischer manned the grill, and Claire Davis Parchment also donated her time. Samantha Walker helped to circulate announcements. SWNI also supported the picnic, providing some equipment and some financial support.

Lewis & Clark—Jeff has been in touch with some residents re: late-night disturbances reported recently. There were complaints from a neighbor of activity at 9305 SW 2nd Ave. Jeff and Tim O'Dwyer, L&C Public Safety, visited that house on Friday, Aug 31, and spoke to students. They were not mentioned in any complaints Labor Day weekend. There was a large party about 2 miles down Boone's Ferry on SW 11th. Police cars responded.

L&C called OLCC about a party on SW 4th and citations were made, including MIP to some L&C students (and students from other institutions). Jeff also was contacted by some students who were observing other students partying in the area of their house, but then felt threatened by comments from a neighbor complaining about noise from the parties. Jeff encourages us to call the police when we perceive a nuisance. He and Andrew McCarthy encourage residents to exchange phone numbers with student renters so that you can exchange comments when a party rises to the level of annoyance. Andrew indicates that L&C is trying to develop a network of contact information for off-campus students.

Collins View residents are invited to PIO Fair this weekend (an event at Griswold Stadium on Friday, Sept 7, from 4 to 7 to welcome back clubs, etc). 25 L&C students participated in a weed-pulling session at Tryon. Walter Lamberti and Bob thanked Jeff for the mailing that all residents received in August and for his work in general as Dean of Students.

Andrew may be stepping in to fill Miles Patterson's role as L&C student liaison to CVNA. Zander Blair is Class President this year.

Crime and Public Safety—In June 2 utility trailers were stolen from homes on or near SW Brugger and Kelly. A neighbor witnessed the first event without realizing what he was seeing. There have also been reports, most recently on SW Maplecrest, of cars parked on a street with occupants appearing to get out to case the neighborhood.

Walter had a good experience calling non-emergency number. On an earlier call, he was very concerned about the delay he experienced at that number, trying to report an emergency. Most recently he called the non-emergency number and then dialed "0" to bypass the taped messages. He got quick response from police to his report of suspicious pedestrians in his

block. He recently had a street meeting, with Stefanie Adams, and they organized Neighborhood Watch. If you want to organize this in your block, start by calling Stefanie Adams.

Prakash proposes organizing a CVNA meeting that would include training to certify residents in CPR. Those present tonight were interested, so Prakash will investigate for next meeting.

Land Use—A resident at the bottom of the Maplecrest Hill is rebuilding/repairing an old horse barn. Horses have not been there for at least 10 years, but he wants to bring them back. Per Prakash, the new structure is 4 times larger than the original structure; the owner has no permit to allow more than repairs. Despite concerns about inadequate permitting, tonight's attendees did not see a need to file a complaint.

There is a proposal for a development at the corner of SW Maplecrest Drive and SW Maplecrest Court. A developer wants to divide into 4 lots, with 4 houses (now has 1 house on 1 of the existing lots). This is an R10 zone with no environmental overlays. Not level, but not steep. This is the time for pre-application conference with the Planning Bureau, which Leonard Gard of SWNI will attend (Sept 11 at 8:30, Rm 4A in 1900 SW 4th Ave). After that meeting the developer has 1 yr to submit an application for the development. Prakash is concerned about vehicle access to the neighborhood as density increases. The group decided to wait until there is an actual application to review.

Riverdale High School—School started on Sept 3. Looks like enrollment will be steady at 270, with the largest freshman class ever (70). 100% of 2012 graduates are attending college.

2 Upcoming Meetings—Prakash will attend a SWNI Transportation meeting on Sept 17 at 7 pm at Room 29 of Multnomah Arts Center. This meeting will discuss Mayor Adams' initiative called "Out Of the Mud and Dust", an approach to improve the 60 miles of unpaved roads in Portland (see detailed powerpoint file at <http://www.portlandoregon.gov/transportation/article/409395>). This plan would involve a "per household" assessment for the proposed street improvement.

On Sept 19 there will be a meeting at SWNI re: Portland Plan (will affect zoning, land use in general; e.g, should there be new codes to address development for schools, including colleges). The meeting will be in Room 29 at the Multnomah Arts Center. Dave cannot attend the this meeting but will get a report from SWNI.

Adjourn at 8:25