

**CVNA Minutes: March 6, 2019 — 7–8:30 p.m. Riverdale High School
Meeting held in the Maverick Room
Minutes are posted on collinsview.org**

Meeting is open to Riverdale School community and neighbors.

Welcomed new attendees. Addressed the new topics brought to the meeting.

[Brackets indicate relevant material (like websites) not orally presented in the meeting]

Attendees: Sylvia Bogert, Bob Fischer, Brendan McGillicuddy, Dave Johnston, Dixie Johnston, Elise deLisser, Fran Laird, Maryellen Read, Prakash Joshi, Kenya Williams, Robert Majury, Johnette Majury, Katy McFaddin, Eileen Lipkin.

7 – 8 p.m.: Guest speaker Sylvia Bogert, Executive Director of SWNI, explained the impact of the Civic Life Code Change Committee:

Sylvia passed out the actual code (2005), which described the relationship between the [old name of Office of Civic Involvement] Office of Neighborhood Involvement and the Neighborhood Associations (NA). Neighborhood coalitions were established in 1974. Benefits are that we get notices from the city and it gives neighborhoods rights to appeal. NAs in Portland have a national reputation as being unique because the city funds us.

This new code change took a lot of people by surprise, but the code has been changed before. In July 2018 the city said Civic Life needed to look at its code change.

Issues:

What are the “best practices” as defined by cultural diversity and funding to participate in civic affairs?

How to reach audiences/groups that have not been included in the past? “NA are not inclusive enough.”

Survey asked broad questions: “What does civic engagement mean to you?” “How do you define community?” How does this fit into code change?”

The process: In April they will go back to the community to say what the survey showed. In May they will have code change language. In June/July they will take their new code to City Council for vote.

Commissioner Eudaly said this will not do away with NA. There may be different funding mechanisms.

Prakash: The biggest question is “How do our input, our voices, get up the chain?”

Sylvia: Our Code Change will have “Best Practices”...

Prakash: Perhaps request a workshop as what exactly “Best Practices” are and training. The more people know about this template, the more effective their voice will be.

Brendan: What are we promising to our community?

Sylvia: [Consequences] if we tell people they have a voice and then people see no action. [Education] as to what City Council can actually consider when people give testimony.

Different stages of Portland's public involvement. Every neighborhood wants to have more people involved, wants people to feel more welcome.

Structure 1) to communicate what is going on. You have a structure to reach out to your neighbors. 2) Best Practices coming up to implement this, improve livability of that area.

Recognizing people and communities is important. HOW they reach out is important.

No code change is in language yet.

Dixie: mentioned the League of Woman voters. Does the Equity Committee at SWNI have ideas about who is being left out? There are a lot of foreign-language groups in our city.

Sylvia: Equity is hosting conversations to share different experiences and perceptions of barriers, e.g. open public meeting laws. We have to listen to different experiences, really listen and see how it can be made better.

For example: The Macadam Ridge Project, in South Burlingame: Every single person spoke to the criteria, concerns, and spoke to the code. It actually made a difference.

Nextdoor is a communication tool.

Neighborhood Associations are open to public and are welcoming. What can we connect with that? How can we improve that?

SWNI has a contract through June 2020 to serve 17 Neighborhood Associations. We raise \$50K every year to meet operating experiences. We have to take a look at that. SWNI is nonprofit, one of five coalitions in the city that are nonprofit. Challenges in SW include lack of infrastructure (no sidewalks) and the need for stormwater emphasis.

Safety Fair: 350-400 people attended the Safety Fair. Three seminars, American Red Cross "Prepare," and address by the Water Bureau engineer and "Neighborhood Geology & Earthquake Risk" geologist, packed room 10.

Spring Cleanup is coming up Sat., May 4. SWNI partners with recycling organizations.

8:00-8:45pm: Business Meeting

Action: March 6, 2019, meeting agenda; board to vote to approve, Dave made motion, Robert Majury 2nd, all in favor.

Action: February 6, 2019, meeting minutes (attached); move to approve, Dave made motion, Fran 2nd, all in favor.

Confirmed board members read and reviewed committee reports electronically submitted.

Oral Reports:

- **Special Discussions:**
- **L&C property**

Discussion of possible activities for National Night Out:
Instead of one big event, have many smaller block parties.

Syvia: The whole permit thing is so much easier. Last year SWNI tripled the street closure permit thing. Critical. Incentive that people get to know their neighbors.

Brendan: Movie in the Park. We are closed out from movie in the park. That's what other neighborhoods do to get neighbors together. \$900 to host a movie. Reserve well in advance. Fundraising at the event not allowed.

Elise: fire department came [to the Riverside block party & also to Ice Cream Social] and had good discussions.

PROMOTE it well in advance.

Discussion — neighborhood participation in CVNA [nothing recorded]

Discussion — Elections in May: All board positions open for candidate nominations

Have to announce positions and then have to talk to people.

Report of Meeting with Jaspal Sohal, future owner of Shell gas station. Just a transfer of ownership. Assume the process is proceeding normally.

Status of Transportation Committee Letter

SWNI Article Approved. Motion by Fran, 2nd by Prakash.

Rockets landing in yards from Riverdale High School Rocket club.

Oral Reports: only updates or changes to Submitted Digital Reports

Transportation Prakash Joshi: Our rep from L&C [Mark Duntley] is good at taking requests.

- **Traffic Demand Management:** We will write a letter regarding transportation issues There is more traffic. We need to reduce the number of cars. Many L&C students are parking at many college-owned properties. They are not residents of these houses. L&C Parking over several properties, including St. Marks, and by the Ball Field, whose parking lot has been developed from trees to gravel to now asphalt.
- The Law School roundabout is being considered as a template for a roundabout on Multnomah Blvd at Garden Home. We can't have a roundabout at Boones Ferry because traffic has to move in little batches there.
- Commissioner Eudaly is introducing a taxi service for people with disability, trying to get a same quality/amount of service as PBOT provides regularly.
- PBOT has a Citywide Pedestrian Plan. This process gives us another method of trying to get a crosswalk at Primrose/Terwilliger intersection.

Land Use Dave and Dixie Johnston:

L&C property purchase on SW 4th Ave.:

Elaine Lipkin: Seeks information re: overlay of coding and what would be allowed on the property (zoned R20). Sounds as if "anyone can build multiple housing units."

Katy McFadden. L&C owns everything right up to Maricara. What can L&C do if they own the property?

Bob: they are renting St. Mark Church to use it for and Art Therapy Center.

Dave: Rules and codes have changed. Recent Comp Plan. Zoning patterns have changed. With respect to L&C, instead of operating on a conditional-use permit with hearing and authorization, they now have their own zone, but they're limited to activities. It is far harder for them to expand their "campus." They're also under the same zoning rules as everyone else (R20). Code enforcement people downtown are the ones to come and take a look at that.

Prakash: these people are here to know what the resources are to find out.

Elaine: do you know what the proposed overlay RIP is for this property?

Dave: The city process is ongoing about more density on properties. All these proposals are getting pushbacks. At the 4th St. properties, College is owner is limited to doing R20 stuff.

Elaine: If the Overlay coding. Where any single family property can be built upon

Dave: City Council does not like great chunks of overlay and infill

Elise: Can we find out the purpose of

Johnette asks if we have a conduit to L&C (NO)

[March 9, 2019: The following was submitted by Dave Johnston

In addition to the written Land Use committee report we discussed:

At the Feb. 26 session of the Planning and Sustainability Commission work session for the RIP Project, several of the commissioners had submitted amendments that were not addressed and concerns that the project would not produce affordable living units for low-income persons and would also result in displacement of minority groups. The commissioners will continue to work on the amendments to the plan at the March 12 work session and hope to vote on forwarding it to City Council for Public Hearings and adoption during the summer. The State Legislature is also working on two bills (HB 2001 and SB 10) that would provide for other plans for increased density statewide.

There were concerns expressed about L&C purchasing land in the neighborhood. We discussed the fact that with the new Comprehensive Plan and the Campus Institutional Zone for L&C, college activities are limited to that zone. It will be very difficult for the college to increase the size of the zone into the neighborhood through the old conditional use process. While the college can still purchase property, it will be limited to the activities allowed on that property by the zone in which it is located as would any owner. The new system will no longer require renewal of a conditional use permit every 10 years or a Land Use action for as many college actions allowed by the zone.]

Prakash: when the college purchases property, they have a purpose. We can formally (in a formal letter) ask the college what their plans are for the properties, and they can share.

Motion: Elise made motion: The board will work to generate a letter to Lewis & Clark as an inquiry about the activity intended for the SW 4th Property purchased in November 2018. Prakash seconded all in favor except Dave abstained.

Dave (Land Use): Look under the Bureau of Planning & Sustainability for /77664 (residential also 67728 infill project).

Committee Reports:

Land Use, Dave & Dixie Johnston: The Residential Infill Project remains our major concern. At the Feb. 12 work session the city staff presented a Revised Proposed Draft for consideration of the Planning and Sustainability Commission. This draft gives a DIFFERENT SCHEME FOR ADDING RESIDENTIAL DENSITY. The "a" overlay is gone. R2.5, R5, and R7 zones are re-defined to allow ADUs, duplexes, triplexes and fourplexes. A "z" overlay is added to show properties that cannot be developed with these additional units. R10 and R20 zones are not included with the areas eligible for the added density. The areas to be eligible for the density will be subject to availability of infrastructure for the actual development. There are also changes to the size of the various units to be allowed.

At the Feb. 12 Work Session, several of the commissioners still had questions and concerns. A further Work Session is scheduled for Feb. 26. Amendments to the current draft are expected. When the commission has completed its work, the plan will be sent to City Council for PUBLIC HEARINGS.

The State Legislature is considering HB 2001 that would do similar things on a statewide basis.

We hope to have further information to present verbally at the March meeting. Feel free to call us at 503.636.0959 if you have questions.

— Your Land Use Committee, Dave and Dixie Johnston

Public Safety, Gene Lynard: February 7, 2019, Public Safety Meeting Report: The major portion of the meeting was spent discussing the upcoming Emergency Preparedness Fair scheduled for Sunday, March 3, from Noon till 4 p.m. at the Multnomah Arts Center located at 7688 SW Capital Highway in Multnomah Village. Nine NET teams will be participating with the Collins View NET focusing on the subject of how best to prepare for an active-shooter situation, and also how to react should you ever experience one.

Upcoming trainings scheduled for the Public Safety Committee this spring will be on the following subjects: Identity Theft on April 4, Recognizing and Responding to Crime on May 2, and Burglary, Vehicle Theft and Car Prowls on June 6. All interested neighbors in SW Portland are encouraged to attend.

Other news: Neighborhood reports were slim, consisting of an unlawful entry of a motor vehicle in Collins View and a rodent issue in the Crestwood Neighborhood.

NET Report, Bob Fischer: The Collins View NET continues to enjoy a close and much-appreciated relationship with Lewis and Clark College. Lewis and Clark provides monthly meeting space for the Riverdale-Tryon Consortium of SW area NETs, which includes our closest neighboring area emergency NET teams. The Collins View NET

has recently signed up to participate in the April 28 citywide emergency deployment exercise. This exercise is designed to challenge each neighborhood's emergency response preparedness. During this exercise, orange-vested NETs will follow national emergency response protocols as they observe, record and react to scripted "disaster scenarios."

SWNI Report, Fran Laird: Mark Your Calendars

March 10 — Switch to daylight savings time

March 16 — Watershed Wide Event. Register at tryoncreek.org/watershedwide2019

May 4 — SWNI Spring Cleanup. More info to come.

Treasurer's Report,: As of 1.31.2019, the balance was \$841.85

That's the newest figure posted on SWNI site.

Transportation, Prakash Joshi: Nothing new to report. TriMet meeting had been canceled because of weather.

Lewis & Clark College Report, Mark Duntley

Items of Interest

1. Friends of Rain Concert on Friday, March 8th at 7:30 p.m. in Evans Hall. \$10 general admission; \$5 for alumni and seniors.

<https://college.lclark.edu/live/events/292091-friends-of-rain-concert>

2. Gender Studies Symposium March 13-15. Schedule of events:

https://college.lclark.edu/departments/gender_studies/symposium/2019/schedule.php

3. Spring Break: Saturday March 23 through Sunday, March 31.

4. Portland Chamber Orchestra performance of "Monsters and Madolins" on Sunday, March 31 at 3:00 p.m. in Agnes Flanagan Chapel. Tickets available at a link on the LC website: <https://college.lclark.edu/live/events/301127-portland-chamber-orchestra>

5. Pedestrian Bridge across the ravine between the residence halls and the academic area is completed and open! <https://www.lclark.edu/live/news/40644-ribbon-cutting-ceremony-officially-opens-ravine>

6. Sustainability Council Hot Topics Series. Thursdays at 5 p.m. in Albany 218 on March 7, 14, and 21: <https://www.lclark.edu/live/files/27548-hot-topicspdf>

Upcoming Sports Events in March at Lewis & Clark

Men's Tennis on Saturday, March 9th at 12 p.m. against Puget Sound

Men's Baseball on Saturday, March 9th at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. against George Fox
Men's Tennis on Sunday, March 10th at 10 a.m. against Pacific Lutheran
Men's Baseball on Sunday, March 10th at 12 p.m. against George Fox
Men and Women's Track & Field, Saturday March 16th at 10 a.m.
Women's Tennis on Saturday, March 16th at 11 a.m. against Whitworth
Women's Softball on Saturday, March 16th at 12 p.m. and 2 p.m. against Willamette
Women's Softball on Sunday, March 17th at 12 p.m. and 2 p.m. against Willamette
Women's Tennis on Saturday, March 23rd at 10 a.m. against Kalamazoo
Men's Baseball on Saturday, March 23rd at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. against Puget Sound
Men's Baseball on Sunday, March 24th at 12 p.m. against Puget Sound

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Run! Hide! Fight! — Active Shooter Response Preparation was the topic of the Collins View table at the March 3, 2019, Safety Fair. NET members provided multiple handouts on how to prepare for an active shooter scenario. The red Help/green OK signs were most appreciated. We thought a rolling video would be a popular attraction, but few stood and watched. "Recent national tragedies remind us that the risk is real. Taking a few steps now can help you react quickly when every second counts." The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has excellent educational materials at <https://www.dhs.gov/private-citizen> available "for downloading and printing" only — no more free printed brochures or posters. "Situational Awareness" is the key to every kind of emergency preparedness and response.

Speaking of emergency preparedness, Portland Maps rates almost all of Collins View as being in a "Wildland Fire Hazard Area," in a "Potential Landslide Hazard Area," (land sliding is possible) and DOGAMI landslide inventory maps indicate a "Moderate" Earthquake Hazard" (moderate shaking). According to the Oregon Geology Fact Sheet: "Understanding Landslide Deposit Maps," one thing we can do to reduce the potential landslide hazards is to "control stormwater so it flows away from steep slopes and into storm drains or natural drainages where it will not harm you or your neighbors."

Do participate in our Collins View Neighborhood Association. A good beginning would be to attend the April 3 meeting (7 p.m. at Riverdale High School Maverick Room). Find out about the Board positions open in the May Elections. Contact outreach@collinsview.org for info. Take your seat at the table. Share your voice, your interests, your pet projects and your skills to ensure Collins View Neighborhood continues to be a great place to live.

Submitted by Maryellen Read