

Morningside Neighborhood Association
Wednesday November 10, 2010
6:30 PM
Painters Hall - Pringle Creek Community
3911 Village Center Drive SE

Chair Pamela Schmidling called meeting to order at 6:30 PM. A quorum was declared. Board members and guests were introduced. Minutes approved with Alan's and Hilficker name spelling being corrected.

Police Officer Report - Officer Pratt discussed the recent crime stats for the MNA area. Noted that burglary and auto theft on the decline. Bait car up and running and effective. Warned against leaving your car in the driveway with engine running and going into the house. Thieves love that situation. Asked about stats on sex offenses.

Compliance Services - Reported on dangerous and dead tree removal. City only handles dead trees. Trees on private property a civil matter. Trailers only allowed on private property driveways for 72 hours. No parking of anything in the front yard. Yard debris carts may only remain at curbside for 24 hours. Discussed neighbor concerns on three abandoned houses. Discussed house on Bluff with black mold. City has abated tall grass but does not consider black mold to be a public nuisance. House on Ratcliff has been empty for a year. Call Dave Kinney at public works 503-588 6211 about downed limbs.

Traffic - Kevin Hottmann discussed the irrational speed zones on Pringle between Copper Creek and Madrona - Said State of Oregon board regulates the speed limits on city streets. Application should be made to them for speed change requests. City staff would support a neighborhood recommendation for a change in speeds. Long discussion of anecdotal speeds in the neighborhood. A motion was made to change the speed limits on Pringle. End result was that Kevin Hottmann would study the problem and come back with a report in January.

PWPC - Jim Santana reports that the Fairview wetlands were the subject of a video and praise for being an excellent project. 20 WU students did a good job on the project. Pringle Creek has received a Salmon Safe designation. The presence of salmon and cutthroat trout were discovered in Pringle Creek. A good sign of restoration health.

Stormwater changes. The watershed council will send a letter to City Council. A motion was made and seconded for MNA to send a letter to Council. Approved to have Jim Santana write the letter before the hearing on December 6.

Larry George was appointed for a repeat term on the Salem Budget Committee. Geoff James, another MNA applicant, was not selected this time.

Neighborhood Liaison - Report by Jason Pulley. Parks are on a winter schedule with low maintenance and closed restrooms. Leaf Haul information distributed. Red Wagons being sought for food drive. High schools and middle schools need the wagons by February 14, 2011.

Quarterly chairs meeting to be held on December 2 from 9 -11 AM. Our leader to report.

Airport Committee - Seem to be handling the few complaints well.

Strong Road crossing and to cross the Fairview property is now named Lindburg Road.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Chap Milbank - substitute secretary for the evening