

## MEETING MINUTES

### MORNINGSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Wednesday, November 12, 2014 6:30 p.m. Pringle Creek Community Painters Hall 3911 Village Center Drive SE This is an open meeting. The public is invited.

For more information, call: Pamela Schmidling, Chair, 503-585-6641

### MORNINGSIDE Civic Involvement Goals

- To reinvigorate the Neighborhood Association through outreach and education.
- To implement the Morningside Neighborhood Association Neighborhood Plan.
- Identify new and enhance existing park land per Morningside Neighborhood Association Neighborhood Plan.
- Identify opportunities for tree planting to enhance our canopy.

### AGENDA

Call to Order and Introductions: Acting chair Geoffrey James called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Board members and guests introduced themselves. Board members in attendance were Tina, Geoffrey, Chap, McKenzie, Alan, Muriel. Scott and Benny.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes for the September meeting were approved as corrected. Minutes for the October meeting were approved as submitted.

Police Report: Officer Garret reported that there have been many people who are not closing their garage doors. Everyone was reminded to keep their garage doors locked and closed. There is also an increase in people leaving their car outside which leads to more car thefts.

Muriel reported that she has seen a person riding a bike and shouting a great deal. She was encouraged to call the police department to report the person so the officer can talk with him.

Parole and Probation: No report.

Morningside Park--Toni Whitler: Sketches of 5 different swing and slide combinations were presented. The board discussed which one the neighborhood should request, and chose the Model 1912 package. A motion to request this equipment was seconded and passed.

### Committee Reports

Traffic: Alan gave an update on the no parking signs near Harris and asked the officer for advice on how to address it. She suggested calling the police department and reporting it. Land Use: McKenzie and Sam attended the Planning Commission hearing concerning the refinement plan regarding the Olson part of the former Fairview property. The Planning Commission approved the refinement plan. Residents of Pringle Creek voiced concern about whether trees were maintained. They were also concerned about storm water and having the alley engineered well. There were also concerns about connectivity.

Parks: Residents of Pringle Creek voiced their concerns about the City master plan and the idea of a community park. A letter expressing these concerns is attached to these minutes. As a result of these and other concerns, there will be a meeting of the Parks subcommittee at 5:30 PM on December 10.

Pringle Creek Watershed Council (PCWC): The council met on the trail system on November 4 where they spread bark dust on the trail. The next event will take place jointly with Friends of Trees on December 15 at Cascade Gateway Park. Also, the regional watershed council is looking for someone with good accounting experience to keep their books.

South Salem Connect: No report.

Fundraiser: No report.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT): No report.

Morningside Park: See above.

Liquor License Applications: None.

Transit: No report.

City Councilor Report

Announcements: None.

Neighborhood Issues and Concerns: Two months ago, McKenzie, Lloyd and Geoffrey were given the job of creating a draft letter on an issue. Pamela submitted the letter to the City, yet it still contained draft language. The board felt that it would be a good idea to tighten up the process on letters to the City. Once the draft was written, the whole Board would be copied and be able to give comments. After comments, the final letter would go to the City. The discussion reaffirmed this process.

Open Issues

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Hansen, secretary