

MEETING NOTICE

MORNINGSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Wednesday, December 10, 2014 5:30 pm- Land Use/Parks Subcommittee Meeting 6:30 pm- Neighborhood Association Meeting 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: Chair Pamela Schmidling called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Board members and guests introduced themselves. Board members in attendance were Pamela, Lloyd, Tina, Chap, Alan, Muriel, Scott, McKenzie and Sam.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes for the November meeting were approved as corrected.

Police Report: Officer Dennis began his remarks with information about holiday package theft. Thieves are following delivery trucks around town to see if packages are left on doorsteps. Everyone was urged to be careful about ordering packages and to leave them with someone who could hold them.

The Halloween dress rehearsal was well attended with 350 children.

Comments were taken from the audience.

Compliance Services Report: Two properties have been taken off the Code Compliance case load. One is the property on 12th Street, and the other is the property at the 4700 block of Battle Creek. The latter has been a public nuisance because it has been collecting junk.

Two properties are now of interest to the Code Compliance team. One off of Bluff Avenue, and the other is at 4080 Cranston. Both of these properties have suffered from deterioration.

Some revisions have been made to chapter 50, the property maintenance part of city code.

There have been changes to the chicken ordinance. A person no longer needs a permit to have chickens in the yard, and he can now have up to 6 chickens.

Alan has seen a detached trailer park on Sunland Street near Freedom Loop.

He also reported that two coyotes have been roaming around Hilfiker Park. They have also been seen at Pringle Creek Community. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife says that we can do some hazing, but it's best to keep the cats indoors and reduce attractants and increase deterrents. McKenzie offered to provide information that had been provided to the Pringle Creek folks about dealing with coyotes.

Other comments were taken from the audience.

Commercial - Vista Corridor Plan--Judy Johnduff, Associate Transportation Planner: The City has begun a planning project along Commercial Street on Commercial and Liberty between Ohmart and Madrona.

When this corridor was designed, little thought was given to non-auto travel. Much of this area consists of commercial properties in a variety of parcel sizes. There are numerous driveways and few direct connections between the public realm and shop entrances. Specific issues to be addressed include:

- Limited safe east-west crossing for pedestrians on Commercial Street
- Limited connections between neighborhoods and businesses
- Operational and safety issues in driveways
- Minimal bus stop improvements along the corridor
- Gaps in the sidewalk and bicycle networks

A detailed street plan will be developed that will provide the necessary project level planning to transform this area into a welcoming environment for all modes of travel.

There are two meetings scheduled for December 11 and an open house on January 15.

Committee Reports

Traffic: Alan had nothing to report.

Land Use: There was a subcommittee meeting to discuss the potential for a community park in the neighborhood.

Parks: A subcommittee of board members met at 5:30 PM to discuss the possibility of a community park on the Sustainable Fairview property. James Meyers attended both this meeting and the regular meeting to present his vision of what the park should look like. The subcommittee will meet again on January 14 at 5:30 PM, one hour before the regular meeting. At this meeting, the group will define the criteria that the neighborhood would like to see in order to move forward with a park on the site.

The Parks Department has finished raking the leaves at Bush Park, and they are now moving to the neighborhood parks.

Pringle Creek Watershed Council (PCWC): This group will be meeting back in Pringle Creek Community Painters Hall.

South Salem Connect: No report.

Fundraiser: No report.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT): The team's meeting scheduled for next week is canceled.

Morningside Park: This committee will be removed from the agenda list, as the issue of slide and parks has been resolved.

Liquor License Applications: None.

Transit: Pamela sent everyone a report from Bob that members could look over at their convenience.

City Councilor Report: There is a public hearing on February 23 to discuss the street light utility fee proposal. There is a goal setting session on February 2, and a work session on code revisions regarding city-owned trees at the beginning of March.

Announcements: None.

Set Annual Meeting Date--May 13(Budget Meeting) or 20?: Tina moved that the annual meeting be moved to May 20. Lloyd seconded the motion which passed.

Neighborhood Issues and Concerns: None.

Open Issues: None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Hansen, secretary