

Rivercrest Neighborhood Association Minutes

General Meeting

March 15, 7:00 PM

First Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Oregon City

Co-Chair: Karin Morey

Secretary/Acting Treasurer: Violet Stephenson

63 members present by headcount (Sign-Up Sheet attached – not all present signed sheet) **Largest Attendance on Record**

Guests:

Chief of Police, Jim Band; OCPD Officer Brian Willard, OCPD Officer Mike Day, OCPD Crime Prevention & Community Outreach Coordinator Chris Wadsworth; Public Works Director John Lewis; Community Service Director Phil Lewis

Karin Morey called the meeting to order in the absence of Chair Ed Lindquist at 7:00 PM and introduced our guests and explained how as facilitator she would ensure all individuals were heard.

Guest Presentations:

Officer Brian Willard, OCPD

Officer Willard presented membership with the Call Activity Report dated February 2018. Announced the date of upcoming SHREDDING event (4/28/18) and referred all to visit City website for more information. Resident asked if there had been any further events of nails being left in roads around OC. Brian advised that there had not been any more reported and that the investigation is still ongoing. Resident expressed concern regarding excessive speed around Rivercrest Park. Asked that the speed limit be dropped on the streets surrounding the Rivercrest Park. Officer Willard acknowledged the concern and deferred speed limit code to Public Works Director. No specific direction was provided as to how this request can be considered. Vice Chair Karin Morey will ask for clarification from City on how to better respond to resident. Another resident suggested the use of a "speed awareness trailer" in the Rivercrest neighborhood. Residents can contact Chris Wadsworth at OCPD to request the trailer be placed. Her contact information was provided.

Public Works Director John Lewis

John distributed two documents for presentation (City of Oregon City 218 Construction Projects w/Map & Future Vision for Southeast Bus Service w/Map). He then reviewed each project with the group and answered questions. Resident asked for clarification on stoplight installation at 12th & Washington. The project bid has been awarded and planned to be completed in 2018. Resident expressed concern regarding the ruts on Central Point near Partlow Road. John advised that the area is known to City and is going to be addressed as part of the 2018 In-House Paving Projects identified on the handout.

General Meeting Discussion/Action:

The primary topic of this general meeting was introduced by Karin Morey. Neighborhood Livability & Safety impacted by activities at "The Bluff," Brighton and Promontory/Creed streets. A show of hands indicated that all present are impacted by this situation and are in search of solutions. The neighbors identified and provided examples of the following concerns:

- Drug Use & Trafficking
- Excessive noise all day & night regardless of posted hours of closure.
- Violence (fighting and intimidation of residents)
- Excessive car speed & noise
- Racing of cars en route to or from bluff
- Excessive trash including drug related items
- Parking on roadways due to large number of vehicles in the area
- Indecency (Sex & partying)
- Burglaries
- Trespassing (video surveillance)
- Vandalizing increased at Rivercrest Park

Residents stated that home sales have fallen through due to the visibility of all of the above. Residents brought evidence of drug trafficking and bags of trash collected from private property. The above items are encroaching onto private properties in the area.

Increased loitering at Rivercrest Park and damage to playground, bathrooms, water park as a result of those temporarily displaced at Bluff, driving/walking to park.

In order to keep the meeting on time and to allow for time to discuss possible solutions, Karin Morey directed the discussion to soliciting ideas from residents and guests. Suggestions included:

- Code enforcement of posted parking limits
- Close the area to public access
- Consider "gated community"
- De-pave the bluff area and make into only greenspace to limit car access
- Employ traffic calming solutions (speed bumps, lower speed limits, reduce routes that go into the area)
- Park hosts
- Police sting
- Surveillance cameras & enforcement
- Organize neighborhood towards a solution to make the area a nicer park
- Seek funding grant from OC Parks to implement some solutions
- Organize more Neighborhood Watch activities with training for residents on effective Watch techniques
- Cite the violators consistently

As a result of this passionate and very respectful discussion, next step was suggested by Chief Band. He committed to having a follow up meeting with a group of residents who are interested in pursuing solutions. Target is to meet within a month. Chief Band, John Lewis, Phil Lewis, and Karin Morey agreed to set this up. Karin provided the following email address for individuals interested in moving solutions forward: **oc.on.film@gmail.com**

This will be posted on RNA Facebook page as well as the meeting logistics.

Opened Floor to other topics: Resident suggested that concern about fireworks in July are causing fire potential. Chief Band stated that OCPD dedicates resources to drive around and have a presence during the 4th of July to deter unsafe behavior.

Officer Mike Day advised the attendees that the number of homeless in Oregon City has risen dramatically. Current census is estimated at 200 homeless. There are full time resources allocated to address this complicated issue in our city. He shared some positive outcomes of the focused resources. He provided his contact information and encouraged anyone to contact him if we see any indication of camps and he will respond.

Announcement of Waterboard Park Ivy Pull on March 24. In collaboration with SOLVE Oregon.

Invasive Plant Notification - Lesser celandine a very noxious and invasive plant has been identified in our neighborhood. Brochures were made available to help residents identify and contact information for Jeff Lesh at Clackamas Conservation District was provided. Residents encouraged to contact Jeff if plant is found and he/staff will address. Information will be posted on RNA Facebook page as well.

Old Business:

Citizen Involvement Committee Elections:

City denial of previous backup appointee Ed Lindquist required a second nomination process which was held at the February 1, 2018 Steering Committee meeting. Karin Morey nominated Kevin Poppen. Kevin accepted. Notification was sent to City Recorder. This result was shared with general meeting attendees via General Meeting Agenda on March 15, 2018.

Treasurer Report:

Opening Balance: \$2765.58

No deposits or withdrawals occurred during the period. There are two outstanding reimbursements that will be presented to Chair Lindquist for expenses related to annual picnic still outstanding and two new receipts for expenses related to General Meeting (document copies and refreshments). They are estimated to be less than \$200.00.

Ending Balance: \$2765.58

Due to Chair Lindquist's unavailability the RNA Bank account still needs to be updated to reflect new officer names and contact information. Chair, Vice Chair, & Treasurer will have signing authority on account.

Meeting closed by Vice Chair Karin Morey @ 8:30 PM.

KEY RIVERCREST NEIGHBORHOOD DATES:

Steering Committee – Thursday, May 3, 2018

Annual Mother's Day Plant Sale – Saturday, May 12, 2018

General Membership Meeting - Thursday, June 21, 2018

BBQ Planning Meeting – August 9, 2018

Annual BBQ & Dessert Potluck – August 16, 2018

RIVERCREST NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET

Meeting Date: March 15, 2018

Facilitator: Ed Lindquist, Chair
 Karan Morey, vice chair

Place/Room: First Presbyterian Church 1321 Linn Ave

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