

**MARKHAM NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (MKNA)
MEETING MINUTES for November 12th, 2019 - unapproved**

The November 12th, 2019 MKNA meeting was called to order by President Kim Herron. Attendees included: Kim Herron, Donna Herron, Eric Levake, Peter Schubert, John Gibbon, Nancy Murray, Kevin Brandini, Jeff Monaghan, Jenna George, Melissa Adelman, Peter Schubert, Mirza Lugman, Kaspar Murer, Sarah Armitage, Andy Wilson, Jeff Murray, Paul Sloan, Karen Koetz. Online attendee checked in included: Molly Sloan, Richard and Maryann George, Shawn Kratchovil, Jeffrey Franklin, Norah & Miriam Hajj and Connie Cavernero. Also in attendance was guest speaker Liz Rickles from Portland Bureau of Transportation and Sylvia Bogart, from Southwest Neighborhoods Inc. who conducted a new officer training to the MKNA Board prior to the meeting.

Agenda Approval: After introductions, John Gibbon requested the Agenda be amended to allow him to speak before our guest speaker so he could attend his Quail Park HOA meeting down the hall. Nancy Murray motioned to amend the Agenda as requested. Jeff Murray seconded. All in attendance voted in favor. Motion passed. The meeting proceeded with the agenda as amended.

Meeting Minutes Approval: Kaspar Murer motioned to approve the October 8th, 2019 Meeting Minutes as written. John Gibbon seconded. All in attendance voted in favor. Motion passed.

Transportation Committee, John Gibbon, Chair: The Barbur decision was made as we discussed at the meeting last month. Every member of the Steering voted in favor of keeping Barbur Blvd at 2 lanes each way. John also reported Tri-Met cancelled its' meeting on November 18th where they were to vote on it and put their vote out for a month from now. John reported there was a little bit of hesitancy on the part of a City Commissioner in favor of two lanes each way. Upon further study, there was not as much of a savings by narrowing Barbur Blvd as first anticipated. John also said the opinion of Tri-Met is "Bridgeport Mall or bust". If light rail isn't passed all the way to Bridgeport Mall, they will walk away from the project.

Guest Speaker: Liz Rickles, Portland Bureau of Transportation, Capital Projects: She reported on a planned protected bike lane project on Southwest 35th Avenue between Ridge Drive and Southwest Pomona. The purpose is to create a missing bike network connection between the neighborhood, Jackson Middle School and future bike way connections. Handouts were provided. It is in the design phase and to be completed in the summer of 2020. A question and answer questions ensued. The best resource is the Southwest in Motion, (SWIM) website of planned and future projects. Jeff Murray mentioned very poor lighting at Southwest 35th and Huber and Eric Levake mentioned a need for trimming of large trees. Both suggestions were noted by Liz. She was going to check to see if there was any funding for the improvement of this intersection. Online question also about a stop light at this intersection. Liz again promised to inquire about this with the traffic engineers, but she noted a traffic light is less safe than a traffic light. A four-way stop is the gold standard for slowing traffic as all cars must stop.

Treasury Report: Treasurer, Zahara Rahmani, was present. But President Herron did not see her and gave a summary largely unchanged from the prior month. The ending balance is \$1369.00. Mrs. Rahmani said she agreed with the report and had no additional information to add. The detailed Treasury report is available for viewing on the MNKA website.

Chair Appointments: During the prior month between meetings, President Herron appointed MKNA Secretary and Past President, Donna Herron, as Schools Committee Chair to fill a vacancy. This is an odd year appointment (see MKNA Bylaws). Jeff Monahan motioned to approve President

Herron's appointment of Donna Herron as Schools Chair. Kaspar Murer seconded the motion. All those in attendance voted in favor. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Schools Committee, Donna Herron, Chair: The meeting is next week so Donna has no report.

Public Safety, Kevin Brandini, Chair: This is Kevin's first report as a new Chair. Kevin reports the November minutes were not available yet on the Google Drive and the October meeting took place before he was voted to the Public Safety Chair position. He offered the microphone to Donna to report on the Citywide NET exercise which occurred on October 17th. Donna gave an overview of the event and the relative successes and failures due to inclement weather. It was a great exercise on what might happen in poor weather.

Parks & Community Centers, Nancy Murray, Chair: This is Nancy's first report as the new Chair. She reports Parks is a very active group. There is concern from the committee that the city is reducing funding for Parks and Community Centers. There is an effort to make that funding sustainable and to push back on the city with a goal to stabilize funding.

Equity & Inclusion Committee, Zeta Burton, Chair pro-tem: No report.

Land Use Committee, Jeff Monaghan, Chair: Jeff said he had nothing new to report.

Neighborhood Emergency Teams, (NET), Donna Herron, NET Co-Team Lead & ARO: Donna gave a brief overview of the Citywide Radio exercise earlier with the Public Safety report by Kevin Brandini. Donna announced the NET team is looking to create a list of people in the neighborhood who speak a second language. In the event of a disaster or broad emergency the NET would know who might be able to assist with language barriers and asked to be emailed at the Markham.President@gmail.com address.

Watershed, John Gibbon, Representative: John's report is encompassed in the Transportation report.

Unfinished Business: Nothing new to report.

Adjournment: Eric Levake motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jenna George seconded. All attendees voted in favor. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Donna Herron, Secretary