

**Foster Powell Neighborhood Association (FPNA) General Meeting
Monday, March 9, 2015, 6:30-8:00pm, Foster Burger**

Board Members in Attendance: Vicki Wilson, Tracy Gratto, Christian Smith, Meg McHutchison, Dan Campbell

General Membership in Attendance: Vikki, Clay, Michelle, Alfredo, Ashe, Carrie, Alan, Nadia, Enrique, Sean, Amanda, Paul, Chris, Holly, Nick, Jennifer, John, Claire

6:30-6:35 Meet and Greet

6:35-6:40 Welcome and introductions

6:40 Board Action: Approve Minutes for February 9, 2015 General Meeting

Motion to approve: Christian, Second: Meg

6:45 Information and Discussion: 2015 Events/leader follow up from 1/9/15, Tracy Gratto, At Large Board member. Neighborhood clean up needs volunteers and is coming up fast. A little discussion about how much fun the day of is. We always need help delivering fliers which is also fun and a great way to get to know your neighborhood. We charge for dumping a truck load. Fees are offset from SE Uplift, we get donations and profit from the scrap metal. There is discussion of the garden tour and our need for volunteers and leadership. Volunteers have stepped up to coordinate. National Night Out: we do need a lead volunteer for that. We really need to nail down a lead by May or June. Paperwork, picking up a key, organizing, fliering, Porta-potty, band and vendors. This happens in every neighborhood that can participate and it "takes back the streets/night" and has anti-crime roots. First Tuesday in August (August 4th). **Movies in the Park has been cancelled for lack of leadership.**

7:01 Discussion and Board Action: Transportation System Plan (TSP) update and projects, Dan Campbell, Transportation Chair.

We need to choose things we support:

- 60's bikeway,
- 72nd Greenway,
- Holgate bike lanes broken up into two sections(10-20 yrs) 39th-52nd and 52nd-82nd,
- 82nd streetscape updates,
- possibly an 80's bikeway (not an official part of the TSP yet but being championed by a bike activist) Several neighborhoods are endorsing it. A lot of FP neighbors see a bigger need for the 72nd bikeways if we can only get either 72nd or 82nd.
- Bike facilities from 72nd and Powell to I205.

If we don't pick something nothing will happen. The deadline is in 3 days and Dan chose these because they are in our boundaries. There was some discussion about how to prioritize these projects. There will be opportunities to make choices about how these things are carried out later. Do we want to adopt all 5 or prioritize? Ashe recommends we do not allow the city to prioritize for us. The projects which are endorsed by more than one neighborhood come to the top. Dan does not feel comfortable ranking the projects, just saying the 5 we want. Straw poll: most approve that we proceed with these 5 choices.

Vicki motions that we support the recommendation of these 5 aforementioned TSP projects, Christian seconds.

7:26 Information: Committee Reports

-- **Communications, Erica Bjerning:** nothing at this time/not present.

– **Foster-Powell Street Tree Inventory-Meg, Mt Scott is doing their inventory this year. The finished inventory map is in the library.** This information can be used strategically down the line. More information is available at <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/53181>

- Foster-Powell Community Garden-Vicki Wilson:

- The first 9 garden beds are now available to rent. Rental is \$25 and 10 hours of volunteer service to the garden per year.
- Work parties will be from 10-2 the last Friday and Saturday of each month starting on March 27th and 28th (through September).
- The annual plant sale and fundraiser will be Sunday, April 19th from 9-3pm. Bring us some plants to sell and then attend the sale for some great deals!
- More information about the garden is available at www.62ndgarden.wordpress.com

-- **Foster Window Project-Vicki Wilson:** We expect to finish the Phoenix project this coming weekend and Matt Froman is having the work graffiti coated. The Habibi project will ramp up after the Phoenix is done. We expect to pick it up in mid March. Information about the project is available at www.fosterwindowproject.wordpress.com

7:35 Discussion and Board Action: Draft letter of support for traffic calming on 72nd Ave, Dan Campbell, Transportation Chair A letter has been passed around to support this. The area is a cut through and used as an alternative to 82nd. It is also a police cut through. There is property damage and it is very unsafe for neighbors. It's also very noisy. Several neighbors have come specifically to discuss this condition and suggest traffic studies and speed limit signs. The recommendation was written by Ben. There is a plan as part of the TSP. We want to consider endorsing Ben's letter by writing a cover letter from the FPNA. This letter needs to be sent in three days. Meg suggests that language is added to the letter about the speed limit signs. Tracy recommends we send the letter from the FPNA. **Vicki motions to send this letter on behalf of the FPNA, Dan seconds, none are opposed.**

7:47 Information: Representative reports

- **Holgate Library-** May and June events Hot Process soap making, lots more classes. Book group: Boys in the Boat www.mulcolib.org

-- **Treasurer-**Jennifer not present

- **Land Use** – nothing at this time.

- **Transportation** – **Dan Campbell has already spoken.**

- **Foster-Green EcoDistrict-no report.** They have been meeting monthly but we have not been attending. We'll look on Mt Scott Arleta for update.

- **Foster Road Streetscape & Transportation Plan--** nothing at this time.

7:49-8:02 General Business, Open Discussion

- **Alyssa Keny Guyer will be having a Bar Carlo coffee on Saturday 1pm**
- **Neighborhood trash pick ups? Does anyone start any-there are some already being organized. SE Uplift can check out the trash pick up equipment to neighbors.**
- **Small grant program party at NewSpace 7-9 March 31st**
- **SE Uplift sued the city for public documents. The city charges for this and it was \$2700. The request is that the fee is returned. As a show of solidarity SE Uplift is asking for small donations toward the \$2700. Donations will be returned if the fee is returned.**
- **Mercado opens April 11th noon-7pm**

8:02 Motion to adjourn: Christian, Tracy seconds.