

**Foster Powell Neighborhood Association (FPNA) General Meeting  
Monday, September 12th, 2016, 6:30-8:00pm, Foster Burger**

**Board Members in Attendance:** Brian Balla (chair), Jessica Cruz (secretary), Cory Solovewicz (transportation), Seth Gallant (transportation), Vicki Wilson (Community Garden), Ellie Russell (communications) and Rebecca Lavelle-Register (treasurer)

**General Membership in Attendance: 26**

6:37 Welcome and introductions

6:43 **Board Action: Approve Minutes** Rebecca Lavelle-Register motions to approve, Cory Solovewicz 2nds. Unanimous vote of approval.

6:45 Suggestion by Brian Balla for FPNA to **create a general fund**. This is money that would not need to be specifically allocated in advance. Board Action: Motion by Rebecca to set up a general fund, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ellie. Unanimous vote of approval.

6:50 Presentation by Brian Balla on [Chinook Book fundraiser](#) for the FPNA. See the [FPNA website](#) to purchase one and help out our neighborhood.

7:01 Presentation by **Oregon State Representative Rob Nosse (District 42)**. He provided his personal and professional background and fielded questions for FPNA members. Representative Alyssa Kenny Geyer will likely be at the next meeting.

7:09 Recap of **Foster Powell Garden Tour** by Vicki Wilson. Approximately 400 people turned out to visit the 20 homes/gardens on the tour. The Garden Tour is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of June each year. We now have reusable signs.

7:12 Recap of **Movies in the Park** by Brian Balla. We had approximately 1,250 people in attendance, which is a record. Big success! There were some issues with the sound for people in the back and issues with the Porta-Johns.

7:13 Recap of **National Night Out** by Rebecca Lavelle-Register. We had a record turnout. Both food vendors didn't show up. Next year the FPNA may do a hot dog fundraiser to ensure there is food. There Porta-Johns were not clean - next year the FPNA will probably pay the \$300 fee to rent our own.

7:22 **Communications** report by Ellie Russell: nothing to report.

7:23 **Park Clean-up** report by Rebecca Lavelle-Register. We need to find someone else to take on this project. These events run one Sunday per month, April thru September. All supplies, equipment, and raffle donations provided. Email [contact@fosterpowell.com](mailto:contact@fosterpowell.com) to see how to help out.

7:25 **Community Garden** update by Vicki Wilson. Project started in 2011. Garden is at 67<sup>th</sup> and Powell. Vicki is looking for a co-director as she may need to pass on the leadership of the Garden in the next few years. We cannot turn over leadership to another group, it must stay within the FPNA or we will lose the access to the land. Contact [62ndgarden@gmail.com](mailto:62ndgarden@gmail.com) to get involved.

7:29 Brian Balla reporting for Seth on **Land Use**. 5621 SE Center permit request for marijuana grow operation. There does not appear to be strong feelings in favor or opposition from the FPNA. "72 Foster" is set to be 101 to 104 apartments; 4 stories high with retail on the ground level. There will be a second community meeting in November. We will invite the developers to present at our NA meeting.

7:36 **Transportation** updates by Seth Gallant and Cory Solovewicz: [Foster Streetscape](#) is now a Project and no longer just a "Plan." They are 60-65% done with planning/engineering phase.

7:37 **Treasurer** updates by Rebecca Lavelle-Register: our annual communication funds from SEUL have been used up. We used SEUPL grant money for National Night Out. There is approximately \$2,100 in our FPNA account.

7:40 **SEUL** update by Brian Balla: Fiscal year starts in October, which is when we can start applying for funds.

7:42 **Open Forum**: Radio show (Portland Radio Project) moving into the Day Theater.

Tim from Reach Now, a car sharing service that will serve part of the neighborhood, shared plans and contact info.

Allen Rowan shared on behalf of the [Foster Area Business Association](#). The FABA has created a new pamphlet with a neighborhood map. They will be having their monthly meeting tomorrow night at the Carts on Foster.

Board Action: Motion by Rebecca to give one of FPNA's park permit to FABA to use for Christmas Tree Lighting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vicki. Unanimous approval.

8:01 **Motion to adjourn**: Vicki motions, Eric seconds. Unanimous approval. None opposed.

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