

Mt. Tabor Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes

August 16, 2017

Board Members Present: Barb Gamelgard, John Laursen, Paul Leistner, Brian/Kate Mitchell, Sam Noble, Nancy Norby, Jim Smith, Laura Smith, Steve Stenberg, Bing Wong

Board Members Absent: Nadine Fiedler, Stephanie Stewart

Others Present: Midge Pierce, Mike Giering, Sharon Nobbe, Sara Genta, Cliff Cox, Cassandra Rosenthal, Peter DeBottom

Introductions & Minutes: The meeting opened with introductions led by Nancy Norby. The minutes from the July meeting were approved as written on a motion by Bing Wong, seconded by John Laursen, and passed with an oral vote.

Treasurer's Report: The financial report was presented by treasurer Bing Wong. The total balance of checking plus savings on August 16, 2017 was \$5,942.25. The only activity for the past month was payment of the \$500 contribution to Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church approved at last month's meeting.

Neighborhood Crime Issues: Officers Cook and Gilbert informed attendees that campsites cannot be located in public right of ways, driveways or planting strips. You can report illegal campsites using the City's "One Point of Contact Campsite Reporting System" by going online to www.portlandoregon.gov/campsites. Officers reiterated that posting crime information on Nextdoor doesn't get into the City's system, so please report crimes via the City's website (<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/police/cor/>), which helps the City to prioritize and direct resources.

Announcements: Movies in the Park on the Warner Pacific College campus on July 29 was more popular than last year, with 1,200 people reported to be in attendance.

Steve Stenberg will be retiring from Warner Pacific College in September and leaving the MTNA Board. Mike Giering is his replacement. Mike's appointment to the MTNA Board in Steve's place is slated for the next MTNA monthly meeting on September 20.

Sara Genta provided attendees with her list of concerns about the proposed SE Ladd/Harrison/Lincoln, Clay to 64th Neighborhood Greenway Projects, many of which MTNA discussed at the July meeting. Sara will be sending her list of concerns to Sheila Parrott and Roger Geller of Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT).

Thorburn Safety Project - fiscal sponsorship addendum request: Peter DeBottom thanked MTNA for their assistance in setting up a fiscal sponsorship for the Thorburn Safety Project through Southeast Uplift. So the Thorburn Safety Project can move forward on to their crosswalk project, the fiscal sponsorship requires an addendum endorsed by MTNA. Paul Leistner made a motion for MTNA to endorse the fiscal sponsorship addendum for the crosswalk project, John Laursen seconded the motion, and it passed with an oral vote.

Land Use/Mt. Tabor Reservoirs update: John Laursen said the RFP for restoration work on the reservoirs is being finalized and work on Reservoir 1 should start this fall. He expects to receive a status report about the interpretive program during the week of August 21. The next group planning meeting for the Mt. Tabor Yard restoration will also be during the week of August 21.

The Southeast Uplift Land Use Committee has invited MTNA representatives to attend their meetings. There were two volunteers at tonight's meeting: Cassandra Rosenthal and Cliff Cox.

Two land use notices were mailed to MTNA. One is for an approved sideyard setback relief for the property located at 1825 SE 50th Avenue where a 4-story, 19-unit apartment building will be constructed. The other is to notify neighbors about the replacement of existing and the addition of new handrails along the existing staircase that begins at the intersection of SE 69th Avenue and Mt. Tabor Drive.

MTNA Email notices: There will be another Division Transit Project Community Advisory Committee meeting on Thursday, August 17, from 6:00-7:30pm, at PCC Southeast-Community Hall Annex, 2305 SE 82nd Avenue. The public is invited.

A short-term rental located at 1714 SE 54th Avenue was approved by the City.

Friends of Mt Tabor Park Update: Bing Wong said the Weed Warriors have started up again; check the FMTP website for info: www.taborfriends.org.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

The next meeting of the Mt. Tabor Neighborhood Association will be Wednesday, September 20, at 7:00pm at Mt Tabor Presbyterian Church at SE 54th and Belmont, with social time and homemade cookies starting 6:50 PM.

For more information, please visit www.mttaborpdx.org.