



**NORTHEAST COALITION
OF NEIGHBORHOODS**

**NECN Board Meeting
Thursday, March 20, 2018**

6:30 pm

**NECN Office – Conference Room
APPROVED Minutes**

Meeting Attendees

Paul Van Orden, Chair, At-Large
Luke Norman, At-Large, Sullivan's Gulch
Donn Dennis, Concordia
Jere Fitterman, Eliot
Dennis Kennedy, Parliamentarian, Woodlawn
Sean Green, Treasurer, Sabin
Kym Jeka, Humboldt
Chris Tanner, Sullivan's Gulch
Adam Lyons, Executive Director
Laura Becker, Planning and Operations Manager

Meeting called to order by Sean Green at 6:40 pm

Review and Approval of Minutes

The board reviewed the March 1 board meeting minutes which were incomplete. They agreed to review and approve the minutes at the April meeting.

Executive Director Report

Adam presented his monthly report of NECN activities. Highlights include receiving Lloyd District Community Association's letter of intent to join NECN, scheduling two additional Conversation Project programs – Crime and Punishment in Oregon on May 10th and How Our Values Influence Environmental Policy on May 31st, and finalizing the Spring issue of Hey Neighbor, which now goes out to 22,000 households in our district, including Lloyd.

Finance Report

Laura presented the February finance report. NECN's financial position remains strong and finances are on track with budget.

Portland Police and Public Safety Discussion

The Portland Police Bureau (PPB) continues to hold off on engaging with neighborhoods amid continuing staff and scope changes. Concordia Neighborhood Association has unsuccessfully tried to revive its Safety and Livability Team, and other neighborhoods including Sabin are facing indifference and lack of interest in this area. Eliot continues to deal with issues including drugs in Dawson Park and is disappointed with the lack of feedback going back to PPB. Adam agreed to invite North Precinct Neighborhood Response Team Officer Anthony Zoeller to NECN's meetings so he could hear community concerns from our neighborhoods and our board members could also report back to their associations.

Neighborhood/Board Updates/Announcements

Concordia: Neighborhood Clean-Up scheduled for May 19 and planning for four concerts in the park.

Eliot: Starting Neighborhood Watch program and still hoping for increased police presence or at least engagement around Dawson Park.

Humboldt: Streetscaping on NE Killingsworth includes new trees and enhanced aesthetic for all road users. Ninety unit building is replacing old florist shop on NE Killingsworth. Promoting Unity Circle Painting Block Party June 2-3. Clean-up scheduled for July 7.

Sullivan's Gulch: Received PBOT grant for pedestrian walkway on NE 21st. Multiple block parties in are being scheduled in the summer that will feature 'performances' from Neighborhood Emergency Team members

Luke Norman: City Council Transportation Forum with eight candidates – April 5, 5:30 PM at Lucky Lab NW.

Alternative Solutions for Homelessness

In Caitlin Burke's absence, Adam briefly explained the effort by A Home for Everyone, Joint Office of Homeless Services and ONI to find alternative locations for tiny villages around the city, including properties owned by faith-based organizations. Lloyd is interested in starting an NECN sub-committee. Chris, Shirley, Luke and Jere volunteered to attend an exploratory meeting.

Other Business – Acknowledging Lloyd District Community Association

After discussion, the board approved extending NECN's boundaries to include the Lloyd District and acknowledging Lloyd District Community Association's intent to join the coalition. **Motion – Dennis Kennedy, Second – Kym Jeka, approved.**

Minutes taken by Laura Becker