

Meeting Minutes-May 5, 2010  
Mt. Scott-Arleta NA

*Board Members Present:* Walt Nichols, Alyssa Agee, Scott Vala, Phyllis Shelton, Marla Turner, Bryan Agee

*Neighbors and Guests:* Officer Jenni Baxter, Officer Melissa Newhard, Rick Hardt, Deane Hood, Tim Hammock, Lauren Stelzner, Ed Kelly, Steve Geiger, Victoria Oglesbee, Franco Lamarra, Chris Anderson, Terah Beth Varga, Amber Moser, Lauren Stelzner, Ashley Balogh, Michelle Balogh, Mariya Cmghlin

Meeting called to order at 6:31pm.

Officer's Report:

- Hardly any crime in the last 30 days.
- 2 burglaries and 11 thefts. One burglary was drug related.
- Notified police of drug house close to the pawn shop on SE 82<sup>nd</sup> Woodstock area

Highway 420 Pipeshop

- Business owner who is a medical marijuana activist here to introduce himself and his business
- Here to address any concerns from the neighborhood
- Business is located at 6418 SE Foster, across from Bar Carlo
- What do you do to prevent members from driving home impaired? Members must sign a contract that promises they will not drive home impaired. Steve cannot guarantee that every single one of their members is un-impaired when they leave but believes that in general his members abide by their contract.
- Neighbors are welcome to drop in, ask questions and visit the facility

**Bryan moves that we accept the by-laws as presented. Ed Kelly seconds. Yes votes: Walt Nichols, Ed Kelly, Scott Vala, Deane Hood, Chris Anderson, Phyllis Shelton, Marla Turner, Victoria Oglesbee, Lauren Stelzner, Mariya Cmghlin, Tim Hammock**

**Abstain: Steve Geiger, Franco Lamarra, Terah Beth Varga, Ashley Balogh, Michelle Balogh**

**Rick, not eligible**

**Amber, not eligible**

Elections:

Chair-Walt Nichols

Vice-Chair-Alyssa Agee

Past-Chair-Shawna Fuller

Treasurer-Phyllis Shelton

At-Large/Arleta Triangle-Ed Kelly

At-Large/Land Use-Marla Turner

SE Uplift Representative-Bryan Agee

Secretary-Vacant

**Marla motions that we vote in all the above individuals to the listed positions. Scott seconds.**

**Discussion about what it means to be a board member. Majority voted in favor. None opposed.**

**Motion passed.**

Amber Moser, SE Deputy District Attorney:

Chronic nuisance problems that significantly impact neighborhood livability. These are usually problems that can be resolved through standard and general legal proceedings. Amber works very closely with the

East Precinct. Her offices are actually located at the precinct. She finds the information that neighbors supply to be the best and most current. She encourages neighbors to contact her with issues. She also works closely with ONI and Jenni, our Crime Prevention Coordinator. Ongoing issue: graffiti. She personally handles all graffiti cases in her district. Car prowls are also on the rise. This is also one of the most preventable crimes. Empty your car of all valuables! 9 out of 10 car prowl cases have to do with GPS units that sit on your dashboard.

#### Monthly Reports:

##### *Mt. Scott Community Center:*

- Summer brochure is out. Pick one up today.
- Beginning in January, vending machine snacks will be healthy options only. No soda. No candy.
- Still waiting on the mayor's budget as the community center expects to have major cuts to their budget. The teen program is in danger of being cut completely. Email the commissioners about the budget and voice concerns over the possibility of cutting the youth program.
- Go to SE Uplift website for tips on how to write a letter/email to the commissioners, when to send it, etc.

##### *Library:*

- rfid tagging system is in place at the Holgate library.
- Oregon Encyclopedia Project at the Holgate library
- Money Smart class for kids
- Bee keeping class on June 12<sup>th</sup>
- Holgate library won an award for its service during the elementary school fire that took place earlier this year

##### *Oregon Encyclopedia Project:*

- Working in conjunction with the Holgate library to hold a meeting to gather information that neighbors would like represented in the encyclopedia
- Meeting will be held May 11, 2010 at the Holgate Library from 5:30-7:30pm
- The OE will be an online resource. This is not wiki-style. This is an authoritative, documented and thoroughly researched project.
- [www.oregonencyclopedia.org](http://www.oregonencyclopedia.org)

##### *SE Uplift:*

- Several staff changes over the past few months. Great team in place.
- Currently in the process of working through our strategic plan
- The board has been taking care of housekeeping needs and the budget is finally in good condition.
- Bryan asks for input from the neighborhood to bring to the table at the strategic planning meetings currently taking place. To clarify what SE Uplift does for the neighborhood associations they are listed as follows: 1) service provider 2) convener, a space for all the neighborhoods and businesses in SE to find common ground
- You can also email your thoughts to Bryan at [bryanagee@gmail.com](mailto:bryanagee@gmail.com).
- SE Uplift provides insurance to the neighborhoods for liability purposes and also protection for board members.
- SE Tool Library opens on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Go to [www.southeastuplift.org](http://www.southeastuplift.org) for more information about the grand opening. The library is located at 2800 SE Harrison St.

*Land-Use:*

- Two minor land-use issues. Set back and encroachment issues. 68<sup>th</sup> and Henry and 67<sup>th</sup> and Reedway. Asks the neighborhood if any one has concerns about these.
- May 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm meeting at the Community Center to address the cell tower going in at 65<sup>th</sup> and Reedway.

*Clean up and Treasurer:*

- Last Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> was the annual neighborhood Clean up. We do this every year in cooperation with the Foster-Powell neighborhood.
- Traffic this year was much slower. An estimated 140 vehicles came through this year as opposed to the 180 from last year. This was the year of the mattress. Lots and lots of old mattresses.
- Almost 40 extra size loads last year that we could charge extra for and this year there were only 7. Yard debris dumping was down from last year as well.
- \$600-\$650 is the estimated amount we have raised this year from clean-up.

General Announcements:

10 year Neighborhood Plan is online on our website. Please take a look at this as we begin to think about new goals for the neighborhood. How do we clearly state what we're about and up to.

Annual Plant Sale at Tremont Evangelical Church taking place on May 8<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds go to a number of outreach programs and to fund sending students to summer camp.

Neighborhood Watch Training taking place at Calvary Church. Neighborhood Watch makes a big difference so please plan on attending the training.

Nutrition Center is having a Weight Loss Challenge. Meets every Monday at 6pm and covers a different topic each Monday. You don't have to participate in the challenge to join in on the discussions.

Chris Anderson presents the idea of having a community event about pit bull dogs. He is a pit bull owner and knows many other pet owners with pit bulls and he feels that these dogs have been misrepresented by the media. Would like to provide space to educate the community about pit bulls and debunk some of the stereotypes about pit bulls. The neighborhood suggested that Chris find a shelter or the Humane Society that would co-sponsor the event and then bring it back to the neighborhood association to help coordinate. There is also a pit bull rescue here in town who might also be willing to coordinate something.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Submitted by Alyssa Agee