

## Meeting Attendance:

- Board Members:
  - Iris Hodge
  - Soren Impey
  - Toma Solano
  - Mari Tamiyasu
  - Taizoon Doctor
  - Terry Dublinski-Milton
  - Paul Willey
  - Courtney Graham
  - Yashar Vasef
  - Kerry Rowand
  - Jessica Engelman
  - Carol Hanna
  - Scott Vala
  - Sam Fuqua
  - Nadyne Rosin
  - Alan Kessler
  - Gail Hoffnagle
  - Tina Kimmey
  - Reuben Deumling
  - Christopher Bacher
  - Catherine Davila
  - Brenda Kinoshita
  
- Mary Ann Schwab
- Suk Rhee
- Pollyanne Brige
- Manny Lopez
- Meg Hanson
- Other names I can't read
- Floy Jones and Scott Fernandez

## Social Time

Meet and Greet light refreshments served

## Introductions

Spirit Animals, Individual's chose their favorite animal

## Welcome and Guidelines

- Reuben Deumling spoke a few words about the future and what to look forward to.
- Terry Dublinski-Milton mentioned our intention to include the importance of each and every person's area of expertise and that it be contributed to "increase the livability and health of the SE Uplift system."

June and July Meeting Minutes (vote can be made only by those whom were board members at time of meeting)

Motion made by Kerry Rowand "*To approve June meeting minutes as amended*"

- Motion was 2nd by Iris Hodge
- Motion was approved by all but 7 (who abstained as ineligible for above reason)
- Motion was opposed by none
- 7 abstention
- **Motion Passed**

Motion made by Yashar“To approve July meeting minutes as amended”

- Motion was 2nd by Alan
- Motion was approved by all but 7 Motion was approved by all but 7 (who abstained as ineligible for above reason)
- Motion was opposed by none
- 7 abstention
- **Motion Passed**

### Visit from Suk Rhee (ONI Bureau Director)

Introduction of Suk Rhee and Pollyanne Birge by Molly Mayo with a few words about their efforts in the office thus far.

Suk Rhee:

Thank you for having both Pollyanne and I at your meeting tonight. We were given some guidance about how we would frame our remarks given by the questions posed to us. We would like to spend most of our time answering your questions and general conversation.

Question 1:

What is the relationship between SE Uplift, the commissioner's office and the ONI?

Answer (Commissioner's office):

The commissioner's office is that we play a Legislative role. We represent the BDN and ONI. BDN covers zoning codes and changes in the city while ONI represents civic engagement.

**Answer (ONI):**

In the 70's Portland created the system of neighborhood associations and collations provides the infrastructure that the Office of Neighborhood Involvements has groomed for decades. **SE Uplift** is one of the larger coalitions in terms in the city investments. These coalitions exist to support all **residents** of the city of Portland. That relationship is one where there are some standards that all Coalitions and Neighborhood Associations abide by and it must be a respectful one.

So what do you want for your neighborhood? What do you want for neighborhoods across the region and what can your Neighborhood contribute to this vision?

**Question 2:**

What are the goals of the ONI? Do you have a vision for how SE Uplift can support that vision?

**Answer (Commissioner's Office):**

That is a great question but we are really wanting to know what the vision that the neighborhood coalition has in mind for itself so we can champion that. While the Commissioner has areas of interest there are particular areas of interest to its residence.

**Answer (ONI):**

The vision of ONI and SE Uplift are similar. The goals of ONI is to promote a culture civic engagement. This needs to work with government to create inclusive livable and safe communities. As a buero we want to lift up and champion the ideas of inclusion. We have prioritised disabilities, race, ethnicity and through ONI and it's coalitions. If there is a vital dynamic culture of civic engagement that is inclusive then government will change. That will have a transformative effect. This should create fewer disparities on how services are delivered as well as improve livability in the city.

**Question:** Is ONI thinking of expanding its charter for neighborhood coalitions and associations to include groups like tenants and houselessness?

**Answers:** That is something that is evolving and some neighborhoods are leading the way in this space. If there are barriers to inclusivity then they need to be identified and remediated. The only things that are vital to us are inclusivity and verbiage should reflect that. Reference made to the Overlook Neighborhood and the statement about verbiage excluding people who are seeking refuge or shelter in that neighborhood should not be excluded.

**Question:** What is portland's rent increase policy? If this is happening throughout the city we need to look at this?

**Answer:** We have a ban at the state level that precludes any regulatory controls for rent other than 'relocation'. That was done at the city level saying that a 10% increase in rent or a no-cause eviction means that relocation funds must be provided. This slowed the increase of 10% increase, renters requested that maintenance issues be addressed.

**Question:** Through the Overlook newsletter it seems that the piece that they were attempting to push through was in the bylaws of 12 other Neighborhood Associations. Who are they and how can they be addressed?

**Answer:** ONI stands for something now and that's values along the line of human rights. As leaders ONI and it's coalitions and NA's need to have these values as well not just in spirit but in how these groups operate. We must be respectful of all people in the room. ONI needs to work with groups at all levels. Each coalition knows what neighborhoods are asking for change and ONI is interested in addressing these concerns. Your neighborhood's agenda should be centered around the issues important to the people who live there.

**Question:** Neighborhood Associations are a megaphone for the privileged. This happens because the people that can go to the meetings are those that have the ability to do so. Is it possible to track attendance to measure inclusivity and how can we identify this when we communicate out?

**Question:** I am interested to hear what other opportunities there are for engagement, collaboration and advocacy that we can play at the city, county and state levels.

**Answer:** Identify the issues that are important to your neighborhood and participate in any way that you can. Getting organized and include everyone that is interested. This will increase collaboration and visibility.

### **Board and Coalition Networking / Getting to Know Each Other**

Activity with special code so that you can meet your board member buddy

### **Break**

### **Water Bureau Presentation about Cryptosporidium**

Introductions from the Portland Utility Board Mr. \_\_\_\_\_(?) & Ms. \_\_\_\_\_(?) and from the Portland Water Bureau.

Many believe that our water is untreated however this is not true. There are several things that are done to make it potable. Water from our sources has been disinfected since the 1920's using chlorine and ammonia in the water for that reason. Corrosion control has been going on since 1997 to address the corrosive nature of bull-run water.

Next there is an effort to build a filtration facility in the next 10-12 years. The techniques for this has not been decided.

In 2006 the clean water act went into effect and a result of that was the Portland Water Bureau was granted a variance based on their source of water and that was revoked recently due to detection of Cryptosporidium. The City Council voted to build a filtration facility for the water sources.

**Question:** Who is involved in the stakeholder meeting for deciding what is low income?

**Answer:** There is groups at the Water Bureau who work to engage community service organizations to start that conversation with civic groups and stakeholders to determine that. Also the PUB has a committee to address that issue as the current system does not work.

**Question:** Why are you coming to SE Uplift and what are you looking for?

**Answer:** We can not go out to 90+ Neighborhood Associations, so they are going to the ONI's seven Coalition Boards for outreach. We want the input from all groups and wish to start the dialog between the water bureau and all parts of the city.

**Question:** What other agencies are you working with across the State to address the issues of filtration and other issues.

**Answer:** We were the only City with a variance but we don't have that now so we're looking at what other cities did to resolve this.

Statement and presentation by the opposition regarding the issues with the water bureau.

SE Uplift wants to pick this up again as soon as possible.

### **Fiscal Sponsorship Applications**

This is one aspect of the services that are provided by SE Uplift. It's part of our job as the board to decide what we will accept and what we will not. There are several that are up for consideration tonight.

South Tabor wants to renew their fiscal sponsorship

Richmond Neighborhood wants to renew and add that they are applying for the PBOT grant to increase safety in their neighborhood. Stairs and right of way on SE46th.

Woodstock needs to renew and adding that they are applying for the PBOT grant. SE Martin and 44th needs bike lane improvement

Brentwood-Darlington is renewing and adding that they are applying for the PBOT grant to add crosswalks to the neighborhood with lights

Mt Tabor is adding an addendum to apply for the PBOT grant to add speed-bumps

Foster Power and Creston Kenilworth are applying for the PBOT grant

Taizoon Doctor made motion Soren 2nd to approve all fiscal sponsorship requests as written

All approved

0 abstained

0 opposed

### **Portland Tenants United Presentation**

Sorren introduced the PTU and himself.

PTU is a **T**enant **U**nion with the goal to organize tenants in response to address economic evictions and address violations of basic tenant rights.

One of the things that PTU has fought for is the creation of an office to address the issues of tenants and these affairs as well as to create a mechanism for just cause eviction.

On October 4th the renewal of the relocation ordinance is coming up. This provides some measure of stability for economic eviction issues. This covers 10% increase in rent year over year and requires the landlord to provide relocation costs.

The request is that SE Uplift vote to advocate that the city extend this ordinance to be permanent. To do this take this issue and the new advocacy request to your Neighborhood Associations for review and approval.

### **Community Announcements**

### **Adjourn**