

Livability Committee Meeting Minutes-January 17 2011

Members Present: Crista Gortmaker, Denay Love, Bill Dolan, Julie Donaldson, Susan Nellor, Jack Featheringill, John Baymiller, and Jan Valentine

Guests: Julie Daligney-Pearl Self Storage

REVIEW OF MINUTES: Meeting Minutes from January 3rd 2011 and December 20th 2010 have been reviewed and approved by the committee.

GRAFFITI ABATEMENT PROGRAM: Jan and Julie will be attending a meeting on Thursday morning at the Montessori School in support of our "In-Service Project". This program is designed to help educate our younger generation in supporting graffiti clear neighborhoods, as well as continuing the support of our "Graffiti Abatement Program" in the Pearl. Bill reported that we did re-assign a few blocks to our volunteers-about 6 blocks total. In support of how this event has evolved, the LC would like to organize an event to say "thanks" to our members, but also encourage more volunteer support. Overall, Julie reported that the blocks are looking well, but this program has also opened our eyes to more areas in need. In addition to this report, Jan was also glad to announce that the LC will be awarded a grant to help financially assist in having more removal supplies on hand for our volunteers.

Follow-up: Susan and Crista (Social Events Committee) will work to organize a "Charter Members Event" to support our current volunteers for this program. We are hoping to have an event organized sometime after Valentine's Day-later February.

SPONSOR SIGNAGE/ID TAGS: Jan presented a sign that has been made in support for our Adopt-A-Trash Can Program. A big "Thank you" to Gary Tomono at Fast Signs for their contribution, and timely manner in getting these to us for our cans.

TRASH CAN PROGRAM: PHASE 1(24 cans) and PHASE 2(36 cans): John reported and showed the group his grid system he designed for our Trash Can Program. He had large maps that outline our neighborhood area to show where the cans are going in on many block areas, as well as the number system to help assist CleanScapes for location during maintenance cleaning/trash pick-up. He mentioned that the installation of the cans will be an assisted process by LC (John, Bill, and Jan), the City, and CleanScapes. The sponsor signage is the area we need help, as the cans from the City are made with concrete material. Bill reported that most of our can areas have been adopted, but areas still need to be filled. Jan also gave an update about the "LC Zones" that were created at our last meeting. It appears that the group is moving fast and getting more cans adopted. Our LC has divided the can locations by blocks, so please report to Jan or

Bill as they are being adopted. Bill and Jan also provided everyone with more sponsor waiver forms for assistance, and reiterated the maintenance program that CleanScapes is providing. Denay reported that so far most cans are only needing a pick-up/cleaning 1X a week. The cans that have already been adopted are showing about 1/3 to 1/2 full after being in place for the last week around the Pearl. This is from the 8 cans that have already been installed. The LC has received exposure from the Oregonian, NW Examiner, and a few local radio stations. Denay will also be conducting an interview on 1/25/11 with KPTV on behalf of the LC and CleanScapes.

Follow-up: The LC will continue to develop volunteers for any blocks needing assistance based on the Zones they are working on. Please report any progress to Jan and Bill. Please also report any volunteer(s) you may have to Jan... that can assist in installing our signs on the concrete cans.

PET STATION PROGRAM: The City has denied our Pet Stations, and will not issue our permits for installation in the Pearl neighborhood. Jan did report that she has appealed this process, and is working with John and LeRae on alternate plans in the neighborhood. They will keep us updated on any progress, but encourage anyone to approach "private property" business owners. The LC did make note to a few properties around the neighborhood that have a Pet Station in place, and may want an additional in place, or replace what they have with one of our Stations.

Follow-up: Please provide any information or ideas to Jan in support of this program.

PENDING:

-Emerson School

-Community Watershed Stewardship Program Grant App

-Community Development Proposal-PSU

-Street Musician Partnership-Public Forum 2/10/11