

## Livability Meeting Minutes-August 15, 2011

Members Present: Jan Valentine, Guy Bodin, Bill Dolan, Jack Featheringill, Gary Tomono, Julie Donaldson, John Baymiller and Crista Gortmaker

Guests: Betsy Shand

Members Absent: Helen Jones, Susan Nellor, Tina Penman, Blake Pack, Stephanie Shaffer, Kris Moore, Lanai Hoyt, Morton Kvinge, David Hayes, Nona Gamel, Mark Hester, and Tracy Vicario

REVIEW OF MINUTES: The LC reviewed and approved meeting minutes from 8/1/11. The minutes will be posted to the PDNA website.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLANNING: The LC spent majority of our meeting organizing and solidifying details for our “Emergency Preparedness” workshop on 9/24/11. The event will be held at the Eco Trust Building on NW 9<sup>th</sup> and Johnson with times of 9:00am-12:30pm. Jan took note of the event schedule including times for our speakers/presentations, and time for attendees to view our vendor booths. In addition to the schedule, Jan will also draft a letter that will be distributed to the local HOA, Pearl Neighborhood Condominiums, and local Apartment Rentals. This will help generate enthusiasm from the neighborhood and encourage future emergency planning going forward. The goal of this event is to educate the Pearl Community about how to protect you, loved ones, and businesses in the event of an emergency disaster. Several LC members have also collected handouts as a resource for these concerns. This information will be implemented into the curriculum as well as on display for the vendors. Our vendors may include REI, Fred Meyer, Pearl Hardware, Red-E-Supply, Whole Foods, NET (Gary Tomono), American Red Cross, Multnomah County Health Department (Steve Bullock), Avenue Lofts (Bill Dolan), Starbucks (Jenn McPoland), Safeway and US Bank (Betsy). The LC members listed will contact them directly. Jan, Bill, Betsy and Guy will coordinate a meeting for a final walk through at Eco Trust prior to the event. We are still in need for volunteers for both set up and closing, so please contact Jan if you are available. The next Subcommittee meeting will be 8/29/11 @Eco Trust 5:30pm.

Betsy Shand a local NW representative on Emergency Preparedness joined our group for some insight. Betsy is a co-owner of a 20-year old Portland, Oregon based home maintenance, repair and remodeling company, Janice McCann and Betsy Shand confronted the issue of disaster preparedness both personally and professionally after Oregon’s 5.7 Spring Break Quake on March 25, 1993. In the weeks following, Ms. Shand responded to concerns of clients, family and friends on how to prepare for disasters. Her research resulted in Shaking the Quake: A Practical Workbook for Earthquake Preparedness. [www.naturaldisastersbook.com](http://www.naturaldisastersbook.com)

-NEXT LIVABILITY MEETING: 9/19/11 5:30pm-Crane Building NW 14<sup>th</sup> and Irving.