**CENTRAL NE NEIGHBORS**

Wednesday, Nov 3, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting – **APPROVED**

Due to the COVID-19 Virus, this meeting was held electronically via Zoom

Moderators, Yvonne Rice and Alison Stoll

1. Meeting called to order by Secretary, Yvonne Rice, at 7:03 pm via Zoom.

Roll call and Call to Order. Members present: Ron Laster, Karen McAninch, Catherine Wilson, Alison Stoll (Staff), Ronda Johnson (Staff), Jo Schaefer, Barbara Strunk, Ruth Hander, Lois Okrasinki, Don Levine, Michael Morrissey, Steve Colburn. Excused: Tim Gillespie, Doug Fasching. Not in Attendance: Lisa Larson, Kellie McGiverin-Bohan.

**2.**  Approval of Agenda: **motion moved to accept agenda as amended from Michael Morrissey (adding discussion of small grants and follow-up of accomplishments) by Ron Laster; seconded by Jo Schaefer, MSP. Motion adopted.**

**3.** Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:  **motion moved to accept the Oct 6, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes as written by Steve Colburn; seconded by Ron Laster, MSP. Motion adopted.**

**4.** Treasurer’s Report, Karen McAninch:Oct 2021under budget $570.57 year-to-date under budget by $2,492.38. **Motion moved to accept the treasurer’s report by Jo Schaefer; seconded by Ruth Hander, MSP. Motion adopted.**

**5.** President’s Report, Alison Stoll: last Directors & Chairs meeting was cancelled; referred to NW Examiner articles; NE Coalition is looking to hire an executive director; SE Uplift has hired a new executive director; Shuk Arifdjanov promoted to executive director of East Portland and North Coalitions; looking for a company that will provide diversity and equity training for all CNN neighborhood boards.

**6.** Land Use Transportation Alison Stoll: last scheduled meeting was cancelled; guest speaker at the Sep 2021 LUTOP meeting was Scott Cohen with the City of Portland Slow Streets. He talked about the concept behind traffic calming and making the barrels permanent throughout Portland replacing them with cement planters, traffic changes, speed bumps, changes to bike/pedestrian walkways, changes in Hollywood; also talked about Cully TIF.

**7.** Hot Topics! Neighborhoods:

 **Beaumont-Wilshire, Barbara Strunk: partnering with Beaumont Middle School PTA to hold a blood drive.**

 **Grant Park, Ron Laster:** at last meeting were guest speakers were a group from We Shine PDX, a non-profit helping to find temporary housing for the houseless.

 **Rose City Park, Don Levine:** City Commissioner, Carmen Rubio attended last general meeting on Oct 26, 2021; at last board meeting it was brought up about placement of statutes that have been removed during the last year, with discussion of what will be replaced and what will go where, Regional Arts & Cultural Council has control of this; general meeting in Jan 2022 will focus on climate change, looking for speakers.

 **Cully, Michael Morrissey & Annette Pronk**: last board meeting was Oct 26 2021, talked about a connected Cully walkway; Cully has lost some young community members over the past two years, held a
Cully Community Celebration and contacted Multnomah County Commissioner, Susheeha Jayapal, to talk about strategies for building safer neighborhoods.

 **Madison South, Ruth Hander:** guest speaker at last meeting was Multnomah County Commissioner, Susheeha Jayapal, with updates what she is doing; board elections were held, Dave Smith, Ruth Hander and Doug Fasching were re-elected, land use representative resigned; SOLVE held cleanup in Glenhaven Park, board trying to connect with SOLVE about future cleanups; trying to get 82nd Ave Rose Parade organized with Portland Rose Festival and PBOT.

 **Hollywood, Jo Schaefer & Steve Colburn:** postponed elections to Jan 2022 or Apr 2022 and will work on revising bylaws; Community for Positive Aging (formerly Hollywood Senior Center) and Northeast Community Center are holding a Health Fair on Veterans Day from 10am to 2 pm between NE 37th & NE 38th, will include a COVID vaccine clinic and will have a drawing to give out steering wheel clubs ; TriMet gave updates on Hollywood Hub; update on grant with Portland Police includes purchasing to pressure washers to assist in removing graffiti; Steve Colburn received as email from Multnomah County office gathering feedback about property taxes and to have Mike Vaughn, assessor come to neighborhood meetings to discuss and take questions about property taxes.

 **Roseway, Catherine Wilson**: general election was held at last meeting was Oct 12 2021.

 **Sumner, Karen McAninch:** nothing new to report.

 **Alison Stoll:** update on $675,000 grant written for Dignity Village. They were unable to provide all the paperwork needed and Alison pulled the grant; Catholic Charities is again looking at a women’s shelter at the Grotto.

 **Ronda Johnson:** discussion about this years Small Grants. It was suggested that people on the community include those meant to benefit from it. Ronda asked for suggestions of people to contact that may want to serve on the community; grants are due at CNN by Dec 30 2021; discussion followed about grant cycles and deadlines.

**8**. Other: At the last Grant Park meeting, Ron Laster discussed the non-profit, People for Portland. Steve Colburn talked about the Hollywood Theatre at Portland Airport is set to reopen.

**9.** Adjourn Meeting: **motion made to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 Ron Laster; seconded by Catherine Wilson, MSP. Motion adopted.**