

## Richmond Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 12, 2022, 7 – 9 PM

Minutes taker: Brian

Audio link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1kd-V8sICPyrtYHxZgQAFzkGgA4XOHMBY/view?usp=sharing>

7:03 Meeting called to order - Quorum present

**Board Members Present:** Allen Field, Brian Hochhalter, Heather Flint Chatto, Debby Hochhalter, Simon Kipersztok, Richard Bruno, Ann Sandvig, Kamal Belkhatay

**Absent Board Members:** Madeline Anderson-Clark, Hope Townsell, JoAnne Knowles

**Others Present:** Kristin Tufo, Mary Lane Stevens, Barry Amundson, David Binnig, Loni Gray, Rob Nosse, Amanda Stone, Nancy Chapin, Christina Wolfe Nochisaki, Claude Sakr, Jack Patrizio, Zef Wagner

**Ground Rules/ RNA Mission:** Debby read Ground Rules and Mission

**Land Acknowledgement:** Heather read the Land acknowledgment from [website richmondpx.org](http://richmondpx.org).

**Adoption of November Minutes:** Ann moved/ Heather seconded. Passed unanimously (Kamal abstained)

### **Announcements:**

- Richard Bruno announced having been awarded the grant from SEUL for the telehealth booth for \$4,900. Congratulations were expressed!
- Debby announced that Hawthorne Farmers Market is moving to Hinson Church in Buckman
- Heather announced that she created an RNA Instagram page

### **Old Business:**

**Police Report:** No Officers present

## **AGENDA**

### **1. Rob Nosse, OR House Representative, Dist 42, legislative update:**

Rob Nosse commented on the State election results. He reported that house Democrats had a planning session and addressed improving government effectiveness, housing, houselessness, climate change, I5 Bridge, workforce challenges, public safety, measure 110, the opioid crisis and more. He then took questions from those present.

### **2. Hawthorne area neighborhood greenway project:**

Zef Wagner, with PBOT, presented proposals to make changes to the Neighborhood Greenway, to existing Greenways and adding proposed new Greenways. A new Greenway is proposed for SE 34<sup>th</sup>, which would involve installing diverters at Hawthorne and prevent north/south auto traffic from crossing Hawthorne.

Zef's presentation is attached and will be put on website.

**3. Letter to Home Forward regarding co-hosting an Open House on Peaceful Villa:**

Heather proposed that the board send a letter to Home Forward regarding the affordable housing development at Peaceful Villa, proposing holding a public open house with the community co-hosted by Home Forward and the RNA.

A draft letter was presented encouraging this action to hear concerns by neighbors and share planning of design elements of the new development by Home Forward. The primary objective is to enhance communication between parties.

**Allen motion, Ann 2<sup>nd</sup> to send letter.** Board voted unanimously to send the letter. Kamal did not vote.

**5. Appoint new RNA Newsletter Editor**

Christina Wolfe Nochisaki graciously volunteered to take on the task of editing our quarterly newsletter. There was a round of thanks and gratitude expressed by the members present.

**Simon motion, Heather 2<sup>nd</sup> to appoint Christina as Editor.** Voted unanimously to approve.

**6. Hawthorne Theater GNA**

For past 10 years the Hawthorne Theater and neighbors have worked together. This is an amended version.

**Brian motion, Ann 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve GNA and allow Allen Field, RNA Secretary, to sign the GNA for the RNA.** Vote was unanimous

**7. Movie in the Park**

Allen informed the board that the application for the Movie in the Park is due February 3 and the Board need to vote now since we don't meet in January and our February meeting is after the deadline. He suggested Hidden Figures as the movie of choice and could partner with some of the same organizations that agreed to partner a few years ago on this film event.

**Heather motion, Simon 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve applying for movie.** Vote unanimously to approve. Kamal did not vote.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- **Treasurer Report:** CD at Rivermark was closed and opened a CD at First Republic Bank for 12k at much higher interest rate. Approx 6k in checking account currently
- **Newsletter:** Christina Wolfe Nochisaki is our new Newsletter editor!
- **Community Spaces:** Nothing to report
- **SEUL Rep:** Allen reported: SEUL announced Grant Awardees

- **Annual Tree planting:** Nothing to report. Allen recommended removing this from committee reports since Friends of Trees lost the contract with the city and no more FOT plantings.
- **Cleanup:** Cleanup Committee should meet soon after the first of the year.
- **Richmond Ready:** Vacant
- **Sustainability and Climate Change:** Nothing to report.
- **Land Use and Transportation:** Vacant
- **HBBA Rep.** Nancy Chapin, admin of HBBA, was present and she said that they had to cancel the Holiday Tree lighting on Hawthorne due the weather. She also spoke about how PEMO met with the HBBA to address graffiti in the area.
- **PDX Main Street Design Initiative Rep.:** None
- **Liquor Licenses/GNAs:** The Good Neighbor Agreement with Hawthorne Theater received approval to sign
- **DEIA:** No report given
- **Houselessness:** No report given

**Meeting adjourned**