

**ARDENWALD-JOHNSON CREEK  
NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 10, 2009**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Matt Rinker calls the meeting to order at 6:30 pm in the Ardenwald Elementary School library.

**Attendance**

There were 27 people in attendance:

Joe Campbell, Treasurer  
Sherri Campbell, Vice Chair  
Marianne Colgrove, Southeast Uplift-Webmaster  
Jeff Davis,  
Bryan Dorr, Secretary  
Jeremy Ferguson, Milwaukie Interim Mayor  
Havilah Ferschweiler, ONI Crime Prevention  
Betty Fulmore  
Lisa Gunion-Rinker, Board Member at Large  
Kim Hutchinson, Public Safety Advisory Comm.  
Michole Jensen, Transportation  
Jennifer Jones, ColumbiaCare Services, Inc.  
Kelly Kindrick, Portland Police  
Shelly Lomax, Tri Met

Ulli Neitch, Milwaukie Police  
L. Nold, Milwaukie Police  
Matt Rinker, Chairman  
Paul Shirey, City of Milwaukie  
Melanie Somera  
Sonja Souder, Hillside Manor Prop. Mgr.  
Claudia Steinberg, Tri Met  
Susan Stone, Milwaukie Councilor  
Carol Wilkins, Board Member at Large  
Marten Wilkins, Board Member at Large  
Jill Younce, Membership Committee  
Elizabeth Young  
Jeanne Zitzer

**Introductions**

Everyone introduced themselves.

**Light Rail Safety Discussion**

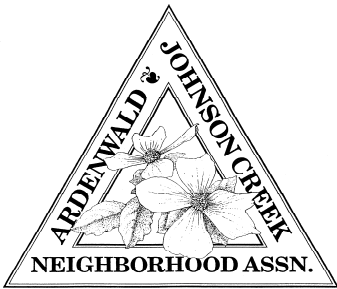
The Clackamas County Sheriff Office cancelled the light-rail safety issue for tonight's meeting. The meeting may be held in April.

**Public Safety Advisory Committee Nomination**

Sherri Campbell moves to nominate Kim Hutchinson as the Public Safety Advisory Committee representative. Jill Younce seconds. Mr. Hutchinson was unanimously nominated as Ardenwald's PSAC representative and will proceed with the application and interview process with the city before being approved by the Milwaukie City Council.

Vote to nominate Kim Hutchinson to represent Ardenwald for Public Safety Advisory Committee (vote was by voice): **Yea: Unanimous. Nay: None.**

**Cob Memorial Bench**



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This discussion was on the agenda last month, but the cost at \$5,000 was too much. We could scrounge for material and get price down to \$2,500. It would take a week to build. It would be a memorial bench. We would look at having 7 to 9 days to build the bench. We would also put in a grant from the neighborhood and Clackamas Cultural Trust Grant fund to help pay for the cost.

What is the next step? The names would be on a bronze plaques, which would cost more but it's durable and lasts a long time. What is the time frame for funding? We are not sure. We would have to find a park to place the bench. Sherri said JoAnn Herrigel with the City of Milwaukie would not permit it in the Balfour Street Park because the park is not completed. Ardenwald Park or Tideman-Johnson Park are likely places for the bench.

Matt Rinker suggested we should form a small committee to put together grants. Jeff Davis said part of the criteria for the sesquicentennial is that the project must be done this year.

**Police Report – Officer Kindrick, Portland Police Bureau**

There was the discussion of the Portland Police Bureau Precinct restructuring. The districts will remain the same so the same number of officers in the Portland area of the neighborhood. Sherri Campbell asked about the neighborhood liaison representation but Ofc. Kindrick isn't sure if a neighborhood liaison would be affected. Crime map was handed out. To access the crime data information, you can visit the Portland Police Bureau's website. There was a rape incident that occurred between homeless people near the Tacoma Street-Railroad area. There was a burglary on Johnson Creek Blvd. Ofc. Kindrick also reiterated the car break-ins problems and the prevention is to leave car sterile or clean inside.

**Police Report – Officer Neitch, Milwaukie Police Department**

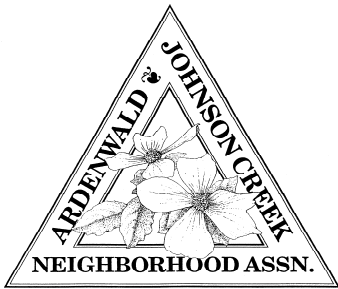
Ofc. Neitch apologized for not having data maps available. She said the Milwaukie Police Department website has been revamped. The site should be done by the beginning of April. She reported there were many calls in Ardenwald. She spoke briefly on her involvement with the case of the man who bit off his roommate's ear in neighboring neighborhood.

**Summer Concert Series**

Did we decide Arts committee was overseeing the summer concert series? Yes. There was discussion about the cost of the concert equipment rental. The committee would arrange the group and equipment setup.

We had grant money and donations last year. We will also need a grant writer. Jeff Davis will lead the subcommittee; Joe Campbell, Sherri Campbell and Melanie Somera are the Concert Committee members.

**Secure Residential Treatment Facility on SE Balfour Street— Jennifer Jones, Columbia Care Services, Inc.**



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There is a lot of noise about the facility. The floor plan permits have been submitted. They have stopped construction work on Sundays due to complaints. After permits are submitted and approved, it would define the construction timeline clearer. The garage door may be moved to the front. Keeping old trees is another. Parking arranged differently.

The subcommittee had a private meeting about the facility last week. Kim asked Jennifer to email the subcommittee to the noise mitigation. It is critical at this stage of the process. Jill asked about staffing. Staffing will be 4 staff during day, 3 for swing and, 2 for graveyard. Betty Fulmore asked for more details about the job descriptions at the SRTF.

**Portland-Milwaukie Light Rail Overview—Claudia Steinberg, TriMet Public Affairs**

Claudia Steinberg introduced herself and presented a project fact sheet. There will be meetings, open houses and workshop. The smaller stakeholder meetings won't start until a couple of months. She recommends people to sign-up for email at website (paper mail is too expensive). The next group of open house should be in the fall.

Michole Jensen encourages citizen involvement on the process. We have two cities and two counties to deal with. Sherri Campbell suggests having TriMet safety rep attend at our neighborhood National Night Out on first Thursday in August.

**City of Portland Crime Prevention—Havilah Ferschweiler**

The 4<sup>th</sup> annual Safety and preparedness event was announced and handed out flyers. You can register online and free lunch will be provided. She discussed the Portland precinct split and Ardenwald would be split into three precincts (two for Portland and one in Milwaukie). The abandoned auto program will be eliminated and graffiti program would be cut in half.

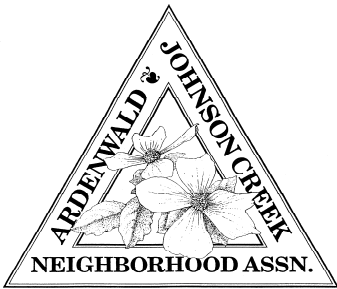
Kim Hutchinson asked about foreclosed homes being targeted for potential vandalism or other problems. Hevila said they sent an article how neighbors can deal with foreclosed homes. Marianne asked about the police response time if they are redistricted.

Next weeks city council meeting is the police budget hearing. We don't know how many officers will move to the Central Precinct.

**Milwaukie City Liaison—Paul Shirey**

Not much to cover. Trimet and SRTF plans have covered it. Kim Hutchinson asked about the city budget. Budget hearings have been moved because the city manager has been out. We are expecting considerable gas tax revenue reduction. The train crossing (quiet zone) project is still unknown. Light rail quiet zones are separate from the freight rail. Paul will pass on concerns about light rails. The light rail would be elevated over the Tillamook branch in its entirety.

Susan Stone had concern about the light rail's large size and the noise impact from the light rail. She also stated there was nothing "light" about light rail with its enormous trains.



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The chairman will add the City Liason report to the regular committee reports for the future agendas.

**Garden Tours—Lisa Gunion-Rinker**

A date has been set for the Garden Tour: Sunday, June 14, 2009 for garden tour. Funds from garden tour go to Balfour St Park development. Garden tour meeting will be at 5pm this Sunday (March 15, 2009) at Lisa's residence.

**Committee Reports**

**Vice Chair—Sherri Campbell**

The family event walk with Metro councilor Carlotta Collette will be Saturday, March 28, 2009, 10 am at the Tideman-Johnson Park at the north side of Ardenwald.

**Treasurer—Joe Campbell**

Last pizza \$30.90 and Incorporation fee \$50.00. Balance \$5,110.03.

Sherri Campbell added some additional information for the Treasurer. \$2500 is available until July. \$1,000-1,200 will be needed for the Reading program and possibly having it held at Ardenwald Park. We will have to decide on the concert money. Concerts typically cost around \$3,000 for the four-day weekly event.

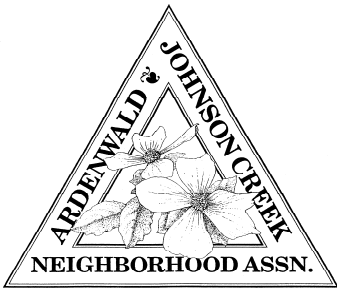
**Secretary—Bryan Dorr**

Clarifications were made about requests for being an agenda item at the meetings must be done through the Chairman (Vice Chair if the Chair is absent). Communications about neighborhood events or neighborhood news does go through the Secretary. Bryan also noted other neighborhood members inviting guest speakers or presenters to the meeting specifically for an agenda items without clearing with the Chairman. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting, however. The Chairman agrees members can make suggestions to the chairman and the chairman will handle the invitations to present for an agenda item.

**Land Use—Scott Spears**

Scott Spears was not present. Lisa discussed about Hillside and South Ardenwald Master Plan. There would be additional low income housing units, possibly 100 units. Develop Murphy site. Also develop assisted living facility site. Sonjya Souder, Hillside's property manager from Housing Authority of Clackamas County, introduced herself.

Betty Fulmore complimented on the tidiness of the properties. Sonja said the old buildings (except the high-rise) would be demolished and replaced.



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**Southeast Uplift—Marianne Colgrove**

The budget is the big issue. There is a 2.5-5% cut package. A budget cut of 16-18% would be a harsher deal. We would lose operating dollars and grant funds. Staff would be cut, grants would be cut. Suggest to Portland city commissioners for 10% cut, not the 18% cut.

Sherri moves to draft letter to SEUL in support for 10% cut instead of 18%, Jill second.

Vote to draft letter to Southeast Uplift in support a 10% budget cut instead of 18% (vote by voice): **Yea: Unanimous. Nay: None.**

**Webmaster/Friends of Tideman Johnson Park—Marianne Colgrove**

Website is still there. More than 50 people showed up for cleanup. May cleanup event is “No Ivy day.”

**Transportation—Michole Jensen**

TriMet communications needs to get out. His concern is the size of the Park and Ride on Tacoma would impact the neighborhood traffic and the new station on Johnson Creek Blvd. near I-205 for Clackamas line isn't sufficient in size. We should hold a separate public meeting on the light rail subject.

**Public Safety Advisory Committee—Kim Hutchinson**

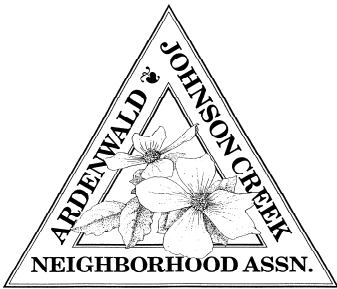
Talked to Cheryl and there are exciting things happening. He also reported Cheryl said she there were some difficulties with communications.

**Membership—Jill Younce**

We had one guy interested in attending our meeting but didn't show. Saturday, March 14, 2009, 5:30 pm, Sen. Ron Wyden will hold a meeting at Willamette Falls Hospital's Community Education Center, 519 15th Street, Oregon City.

**Art—Jeff Davis**

ArtMob.net is the new website. Create a database of the artists in the city. Create an artistic sign for the city of Milwaukie. Funding would come from the tourism grant. The funds also pay for the signs.



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**Balfour Street Park—Lisa Gunion-Rinker**

The next meeting for the Balfour Street Park is on March 22 at 5 pm Lisa Gunion-Rinker's residents. They will start asking questions and taking with the neighbors about the park.

**Balfour St. Secure Residential Treatment Facility**

Jill has been contact with Northwest Resolution to provide a contract with a good neighbor agreement. She said ColumbiaCare is willing to do that. Jill handed out letters from Oregon Senator Bruce Starr's press release regarding new rules pertaining to homes housing guilty except for insane (SB 910 and SB911).

**Other Items**

Matt made the NAMI pamphlet "An Illness Like any Other." He also made Milwaukie Interim Mayor Jeremy Ferguson's business cards available. The Officer and Reserve Officer of the Year Award Dinner invitations were also handed out, but the deadline was today (March 10).

**Approve Meeting Minutes from February 10, 2009**

Marianne Colgrove noted one typographical error in the minutes referring to the interim director of Southeast Uplift, but the error would be corrected when the final minutes goes out. Bryan Dorr moves to approve the minutes, Michole Jensen seconds.

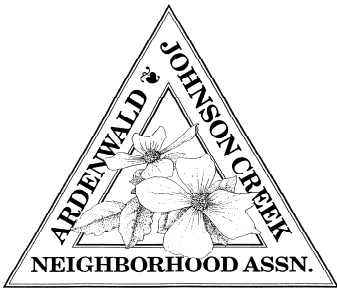
Vote to approve the February 10, 2009 regular meeting minutes (vote by voice): **Yea: Unanimous. Nay: None.**

**Adjournment**

Matt Rinker moves to adjourn the meeting, Michole Jensen seconds.

Vote to adjourn the meeting (vote by voice): **Yea: Unanimous. Nay: none.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm.



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Yea: Unanimous. Nay: None.