

## **FoSPB Monthly Meeting January 30, 2013 Eliot meeting room 7 PM to 8 PM**

### **Attendees:**

David Newman, Co-Chair

Gunnar Sacher, Co-Chair

Marjorie Newman

Elka Grisham

Carole Barkley

Ian Nicol

Susan Ackley

Mike Boyer, ONI

### **Agenda:**

- The month(s) in review
  - Weekly Foot Patrol – 6:00 pm on Mondays, 3:00 pm on Fridays
  - End of Season Party - 12.10., St. James Church
    - About 15+ attendees
    - Supported by PP&R
  - 6 month review with Parks & Rec – 1.11.
    - 605 volunteer hours over the last year
  - Continue working with park rangers and PPS on park issues
    - Camping and drug dealing consistent presence
  - Park update
    - Visitors population has decreased to a low with the colder, rainier weather
    - Issues immediately resolved through close cooperation with PP&R
    - PP&R facing budget cuts
      - Dutch Elm disease treatment program
      - Horticulturist cut back
      - Lobby for specific items (**David**)
        - Letters and phone calls
  - ONI
    - Amy Bruner-Dhenert replaced by Mike Blitzer
      - Amy was promoted
    - Complaints about park have gone
    - Lots of positive feedback
    - Park Tower (NE corner of park) under new management and being upgraded
    - First Christian church camping – not having made progress as not aligned on issues and approach to resolve issue
      - May pull them from Trespassing agreement
    - Start monthly meeting with safety focus for churches
  - PP&R meeting summary
    - See meeting minutes in separate document
  - 2013 FoSPB project objectives
    - Install cigarette trash containers
      - Avoided them in the system so far – May not be needed if smoking is banned in SPB

- Do homework (**Bryan A, 3.22.**)
- Document existing designs / take picture to create a guide for design suggestions (**Carole B**)
- Install Pet Stations
  - Look at North-Park installation
  - PP&R did not like design
  - Build by CleanScapes
  - Not the biggest problem
  - Needs funding / sponsors
  - Move to future topics / opportunities
- Trash Ordinance - Modify City litter code to include cigarette butts as litter
  - Non-monetary
  - Talk to PP&R
  - Understand guidelines for Pioneer Square Park and see if they apply for SPB (**Art H**)
  - Assign enforcement people to this issue (**Steve P**)
  - Talk to Art H (**David, Gunnar, 3.22.**)
    - Implications for ranger program
- WiFi In the Park - Establish WiFi hot spots in the South Park Blocks
  - Low priority for now
  - Cost issue – look for business support
  - Most people use smart phones
  - Move to future topics / opportunities
- Label for rose varieties in the rose beds
  - Piggyback on other solutions (**Danielle F**)
- Improve irrigation systems in all SPB
  - budget for 2013 or 2014 or add to bond
  - advocate with PP&R
  - FoSPB will volunteer labor
  - bring up at staff meeting (**Danielle F**)
- Business recruitment for Shemanski Park
  - Increase activity in the area
  - Recommendation from Safety Summit
  - Follow up with Bryan A
    - Rangers taking the lead for O'Bryant park
    - Possible satellite of PSU Saturday Farmers Market
  - Connect with Mike Boyer on picking the right vendor
    - Invite Mike (**Gunnar, Bryan**)
  - Stakeholders: Bryan / Terri, Mike B, Art H, Rangers
  - Follow up meeting (**March 22., 2:00 pm**)
    - Setup with Art H
- Funding – register Parks Foundation or Neighbors West/Northwest to act as fiscal agent (**Marjorie**)
- Reduce skate boarding traffic
  - Post phone numbers to call on existing park signage - Park Ranger phone #'s have been posted on Park signs
    - Apply stickers to the signage
    - FoSPB to maintain
    - Send email to Art (**Bryan A, Gunnar**)
- Loo – add sticker what number to call for issues

- Bureau of Environmental Services
- Provide contact (**Bryan A, Gunnar**)
- Create card with important phone numbers for distribution – Back of FoSPB cards (**Jinny S**)
- Advertisement / Promotion
  - Bulletin Board(s) / Info Kiosks with SPB information
    - Umpqua Bank
    - South Park Blocks
    - Community issued project
  - Interpretive Signs
    - See Tanner Park
    - Community issued project
  - Bring ideas / examples (**FoSPB, David**)
    - Litvas column
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- Member recruitment – PP&R Spring Guide
- Communication
  - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfTheSouthParkBlocks>
  - Website: [www.fospb.org](http://www.fospb.org)
  - FoSPB article written by Carole Barkley will be in Spring PP&R Guide
  - Website – add link to Park's and Rec's and ONI – [www.portlandonline.com/oni/dcp](http://www.portlandonline.com/oni/dcp) (**Gunnar**)
- Action Item update (see below)
- Upcoming Events
  - Park Ranger review committee – February, David
    - Compiling survey
  - Foot Patrol training – 2.20., 7:00 – 9:00 pm, Eliot – 3<sup>rd</sup>. floor meeting room (**David**)
  - Garden work parties (**Gunnar**)
    - February – 2.16., 9:00 am, March - mulching, April - mulching
  - Q1 meeting with Parks & Rec – 3.22., 2:00 pm
- Future Topics
  - Event planning
    - Social events in the park
  - Fundraising and fund needs
    - Determine projects and need for funding; make contact with potential local business partners including PAM, OHS, Safeway
    - Vest replacement by T-Shirts
      - Have business sponsoring T-Shirts
      - Have business sponsor incentives

**Next Meetings:** Last Wednesday of the month, 7:00 PM, Eliot 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Meeting Room (2.27., 3.27.)

**Action Items**

Detail	Update	Owner	Date	Status
Governance of FoSPB: Study other Friends groups and then decide on FoSPB Governance structure		Carole	5/28/2012	Open
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Governance of FoSPB: Provide contact for ByLaws example		Mike Boyer	5/28/2012	Open
Create FoSPB Task List		David / Gunnar	5/28/2012	Open
Membership solicitation - University Place		Bob	5/28/2012	Open
Tree Cutting	What happens with cut wood? What is replacement plan?	David	7/31/2012	Open
Smoking Ban	Follow up with Parks and Recs	David / Gunnar	7/31/2012	Open
Event sponsoring	What is the procedure for FoSPB	David / Gunnar	8.29.2012	Open
Garden Work Party	Schedule event Schedule bench cleanup	David / Gunnar	8.29.2012	Open
Phone number	Create phone number card of important number	David / Gunnar	11.28.2012	Open

**20.12.090 Disposing of Rubbish.**

**A.** No person shall place any garbage, or other rubbish, or refuse or debris, or cigarette or cigar butts, nor shall any person deposit or leave birdseed, breadcrumbs or other food particles or food waste, in or upon any Park. Nothing in this Section shall prohibit any person from eating food in any Park, nor shall the prohibitions of this Section apply to the incidental loss of food particles that cannot reasonably be collected and properly disposed of.

**B.** No person shall enter any Park with garbage, or other rubbish or refuse or debris that has originated from outside the Park, for the purpose of disposing of any of the rubbish, refuse, or debris in the Park.

**C.** The prohibitions of this Section shall not apply to the disposal, in receptacles provided for that purpose, of garbage or refuse that results from the normal use of the Park for recreational or other lawful purposes.