

FoSPB Monthly Meeting October 30, 2013 Eliot meeting room 7:00 PM to 8:20 PM

Attendees:

Gunnar Sacher, Co-Chair
David Newman, Co-Chair
Marjorie Newman
Deb Bell
Alan Bell
Ian Nicol
Mack Holland, Park Lead, PPS
Sally McGuire
Marion McNamara
Jo Duran
Rita Inowy
Elka Grisham
Carol Barkley

Agenda:

- *The month(s) in review*
 - Weekly Foot Patrol – 6:00 pm on Mondays and 3:00 pm on Fridays
 - Meet at the Rough Rider Statue
 - Adjust patrol on Mondays from 6 pm to 5 pm
 - Adjust in the schedule on Website (**Gunnar, David**)
 - Move away from individuals of concern when making phone calls, call Central Precinct 503-823-0097
 - Garden Work Party – Sa, 10.19., 9:00 am
 - 12 people joined the event with light work load
 - Additional event for beginning of December scheduled to prune the roses
 - Gardening events – Tue 10 AM and Sa 9 AM
 - Watering of plants, rose deadheading, etc.
- *Park update*
 - Some light post access panels have been fixed
 - Transitional Youth Dinners
 - Dinners continue one day per week (Monday)
 - Permit still has not been issued
 - No date has been set for Parks office (Amanda Fritz's office) to address topic with input from DNA, Art Hendricks and PP&R Director Abbate.
 - Meeting was held Oct 15 with Art Hendricks, Mike Boyer, Asa Arden and 3 DNA board members.
 - Options for park utilization by TY were discussed
 - DNA board passed a motion unanimously to recommend that the City move Transitional Youth feed from Shemanski Square to another Park and to require a use permit and a GNA. This resolution was sent to Art Hendricks who will make a recommendation to M. Abatte and A. Fritz.
 - Parks and Recs has a moratorium on feeds in central city parks
 - Send up a follow up attaching the FoSPB position again (**David, Gunnar**)

- PPS report
 - Shemanski and Lincoln Block problem area in the South Park Block
 - October has been a very active months
 - 35 exclusions, 5 arrests in the SPB
 - Less activity with the colder and rainier months
- Park Rangers – Asa Arden emailed update 10-29-13
 - I am working closely with Bryan Aptekar on new signage regarding Skateboarding. I do not have any new information for you regarding TY. We are seeing a few camping issues and controlled substance/alcohol violations, but not more than are typical for this time of year. All issues are being addressed whenever we see them, or when they are reported to us. The Park Rangers are very thankful for the FoSPB's hard work, and always happy to address calls for service. You are our eye and ears.
- Office of Neighborhood Involvement – Mike Boyer emailed update on 10-29-13
 - I don't have any updates on TY.
- Special Topics
 - Conditions of the turf in SPB
 - Concern was again raised about the conditions of the turf
 - More regular clearing the leaves was suggested during the fall months
 - Friends group is working with the City on resource focus on the park, which has happened more this year than in previous year thanks to the growing collaborative efforts between FoSPB and Parks and Recs
 - Suggestion to rope off area when over seeding takes place
 - Create turf maintenance group
 - Ideas for City's State and Federal legislative agenda
 - City of Portland wants to hear from us. What are the issues facing our neighborhood including parks and communities that we want our City to advocate for?
 - <http://www.portlandoregon.gov/oni/article/467878>
 - Suggest Smoke-free parks, act on sit-lie ordinance (**David, Gunnar**)
 - Business recruiting support for Shemanski Park
 - Update emailed by Asa Arden on 10.11.
 - Portland Parks and Recreation is ready to accept applications for this area. I am pleased to be able to offer the significantly reduced rate of \$165/month for a typical 4'x6' cart. There is an \$80 non-refundable application fee. Bookings lasting for 3 months or less require pay in full before vending can commence. Bookings lasting for 4 months or more may pay in full and receive a 10% discount or sign up for automatic monthly withdrawal from a Visa or MasterCard.
 - Make sure to let potential vendors know that they are able to be set up and vend during any or all hours between 5:00am to 9:00pm. The carts must be removed from the park every night by 9:00pm. Please emphasize that for the vendors to be successful we strongly suggest that they work the same days and hours consistently so that park users know when and where to find them.
 - We are hoping to attract three to six carts to the area. We expect that lunch will probably be the busiest time of day. If any of the vendors want to start this fall they are welcome to, but don't be surprised if people aren't interested in starting until next spring.
 - If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at this email address or call me at 503-278-1764. I am currently off at 3:00pm most days and do not work on Wednesday or Thursday.
 - Questions regarding the specifics of the permits should be directed to the customer service center at 503-823-2525.
 - Follow up with Asa and schedule meeting (**Gunnar, Elka, Asa**)

- Other specifics regarding the application process can be found at Portland Parks and Recreation's concessions site (<http://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/56608>)
 - Below is the list of vendors that we received from Jaret Foster of the Portland Farmers Market.
 - **Hoda's Middle Eastern Cuisine**
 - Owners: Hoda Khouri
 - Email: info@hodas.com
 - Business Phone: 503/236-8325
 - **Salvador Molly's Restaurant**
 - Owners: Rick Sadle, Darrielle Sadle-Ruff
 - Email: druff@salvadormollys.com
 - Business Phone: 503-293-1790
 - **Salumeria di Carlo**
 - Owners: Fred Carlo
 - Email: saldicarlo@comcast.net
 - Business Phone: 503-274-0133
 - **Tastebud**
 - Owners: Mark Doxtader
 - Email: mark@tastebudfarm.com
 - Business Phone: 503 234.0330
 - **Momo Cart LLC**
 - Owners: Hailey Flanigan, Evan Feenstra, Roshan Gurung
 - Email: momocart@momocart.com
 - Business Phone: 530-400-4919
 - **Scoop Handmade Ice Cream**
 - Owners: Amanda Rhoads
 - Email: scoopdx@gmail.com
 - Business Phone: 503-928-2796
 - **Thrive Pacific NW**
 - Owners: Stephanie Vickers, Erika Reagor
 - Email: thrivepacificnw@yahoo.com
 - Business Phone: 503-964-7475
 - **Verde Cocina**
 - Owners: Noe Garnica and Anna Garnica
 - Email: verdecocina@gmail.com
 - Business Phone: 503-750-2722
 - **C'est Si Bon!**
 - Owners: John and Gabrielle ESBECK
 - Email: john.esbeck@gmail.com
 - Business Phone: 503 703 9378
 - Others (All)
 - Holiday Party – December 4, with monthly meeting
 - Holiday party contribution sponsor (**Steve, Gunnar**)
 - Suggested donations to help with food and beverages
 - Elka and Marjorie to pull this together
- 2013 FoSPB project objectives - Update
 1. Trash Ordinance - Modify City litter code to include cigarette butts as litter
 - Covers litter, i.e. cigarette butts
 - Reach out to DNA to ask for a neighborhood position about smoking in the park
 - DNA board endorsed smoking ban in PSU portion of South Park Blocks – will be used as a test case for enforcement and possible expansion to whole SPB and other city parks.

2. Label for rose varieties in the rose beds
 - Secured labels but need to identify varieties (**Paul, Terri**)
 3. Improve irrigation systems in all SPB (Don McTaggart)
 - PP&R to identify opportunities
 4. Business recruitment for Shemanski Park (**Elka, Gunnar**)
 - Asa Arden is lead for finding Shemanski vendors
 - Special permit policy created for vendors
 - Understand guidelines for businesses supported
 - Recruit businesses
 - Approach Arlington Club
 - Present plan to PP&R
 5. Funding – register Parks Foundation or Neighbors West/Northwest to act as fiscal agent (**Marjorie**)
 - Identify project to raise funding – Irrigation upgrade, bench armrests – PP&R will provide estimated costs and project scopes
 - Columbia Sportswear incentive program
 6. Reduce skate boarding traffic
 - Update stickers (Bryan, Asa)
 7. Loo – add sticker what number to call for issues
 - Update stickers (Bryan)
 8. Middle Armrest for park benches
 - PP&R to provide scope and cost estimate for
 9. Advertisement / Promotion (**Alan, Marjorie**)
 - Start raise money
 - Prepare proposal and submit to PP&R (two step process)
 - First step: Write one pager (**Alan, Marjorie, Carole**)
 - Park Proposal Process: <http://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/46373>
 - Application deadline: Fall
 - Brian A to help with application
 10. Member recruitment
 - Arlington Club – contact president, need to follow up
 - University Park – have three contacts
- 2013 Accomplishments
 - Member recruitment – PP&R Spring Guide, National Night Out
 - Card with important phone numbers for distribution – Back of FoSPB cards
 - Discussed the installation of cigarette trash containers with PP&R
 - Portland Streetcar installed trash container at Streetcar stop on SW Market in SPB
 - PBOT agreed to clean SW Park and SW 9th streets along SBP south of SW Jefferson
 - Meetings with PP&R – Spring, Fall
 - Smoking ban in PSU SPB's supported by FoSPB was endorsed by DNA – PSU Smoke free 2016
 - Communication
 - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfSouthParkBlocks>
 - Website: www.fospb.org
 - Action Item update (see below)
 - Upcoming Events
 - Foot Patrols - Mo at 5:00 pm (change for the Winter months) and Fri at 3:00 pm;
 - Deadheading roses and watering of new perennials – Tue 10 AM and Sa 9 AM

- Winter holiday party tentatively scheduled for 12.4. 6 - 8 pm, St. James Lutheran Church, 1315 Sw Park Ave, Portland
- Future Topics
 1. Install Pet Stations
 - Look at North-Park installation
 - PP&R did not like design – Commissioner Fritz favors pet owner responsibility vs. bag dispensers
 - Built by CleanScapes in North Park Blocks
 - Not the biggest problem – New fines for off leash and not picking up now enforced by Park Rangers
 - Needs funding / sponsors
 2. 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
 3. Event planning
 - Social events in the park
 - Stacey Tran of Cityscope is looking for public proposals for THE PRESENT IS ARTICULATE, a series of urban interventions, installations, and performances. Installations/performances would possibly be in South Park Blocks, permitted by PP&R.
 4. Fundraising and fund needs
 5. Determine projects and need for funding; make contact with potential local business partners including PAM, OHS, Safeway
 6. Create turf maintenance group
 7. 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 3rd Floor Meeting Room (1.29., 2.26., 3.26., 4.30. 5.28., 6.25.)

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	Created for 2013	David / Gunnar	5/28/2012	Closed
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 – next meeting to be discussed 4.5.	David / Gunnar	7/31/2012	Closed
Event sponsoring	What is the procedure for FoSPB	David / Gunnar	8.29.2012	Open
Garden Work Party	Schedule event Schedule bench cleanup Events planned for February, March, April	David / Gunnar	8.29.2012	Closed
Phone number	Create phone number card of important number	Jinny	11.28.2012	Closed 3.28.

FoSPB Meeting Minutes

Date: October 30, 2013

Spring PP&R Guide	Get some copies	Gunnar	3.28.2013	Closed 4.24.
Meetings	Schedule meetings for second half of the year	Gunnar	5.29.2013	Closed 10.29.2013
Rough Rider Block landscaping	Contact PAM and OHS for a meeting	Gunnar, David	6.26.2013	
Rough Rider Block landscaping	Contact Peter Mark and ask if he wants to donate for Park projects	Gunnar, David	6.26.2013	
Unwanted bird feeding	Add Audubon link to website and create some printouts	Gunnar	6.26.2013	
Email list	Allow people on email list to opt-out if they do not desire to receive further communications (quarterly)	Gunnar	8.28.2013	September 2013
Google Calendar	Check reminders for foot patrol	Gunnar	8.28.2013	11.4.