



**ARDENWALD-JOHNSON CREEK  
NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION  
MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2020**

**Meeting Location:** Zoom; 6:30 p.m.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88968122811?pwd=b2VWd01VbEFuRE53eE1ITzBVdFRJUT0>

**Chairman:** Matt Rinker, (971) 336-8663, MattRinker@hotmail.com

**Board Present:** Matt Rinker, Erin Jansen, Travis Tomlinson, Lisa Gunion-Rinker, Abigail Ball, Bryan Dorr

**Guests Present:** Alicia Baccitich; Ronelle, Ryan Burdick, Keira MacMillian; Joe Lewis; Diana; Emily Gilchrist;

**1. Introductions.**

**2. Police Report:** Ryan Burdick

Fires: Starting to get contained, Riverside is at 37% contained. Molalla and Estacada had a real chance of losing some of the town. Milwaukie PD sent some police to help with evacuations.

Political Events: continue for last 45 days; large rallies for Trump and “back the blue” trying to provide safe space

Personnel News: There was an officer involved shooting and the officer was cleared of all crimes by Grand Jury. Suspect was indicted on multiple accounts including attempted murder.

Misinformation from Clackamas Sheriff: There was one person who was intentionally setting fires, a person with mental health issues; but there is absolutely evidence that antifa is involved. The fire at Elk Rock Island was classified as a “suspicious fire” but it was not possible to make a determination as to the cause. The fire department did an outstanding job putting out the fire quickly.

**3. Public Comments:**

**Alicia Baccitich:** Lives on Filbert street; very concerned because the city did a study this summer and there were over 500 cars per day. City agrees that

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there something that should be done to slow down cars, especially around the pathway for school. Discussions about speed limits, stop signs, curbs, no parking signs by the cross walk. General consensus is that there needs to be something that actually slows cars down otherwise it remains a danger for the kids/pathway users. City is doing a lot of other projects and doesn't seem inclined to do more than stop signs for the people using the pathway.

Trying to act before another tragic accident like what happened on Wichita street. Very easy to change speed limit to 20 MPH (from 25).

The city improved the pathway between Wake and Filbert (which is great), but has increased use and now there is additional increased traffic which creates more safety issues.

Discussion about getting NDA board and Filbert street neighbors to set up a time with someone from the city to do a walkthrough in the area and get more information.

We will also add a message to Pilot reminding people to slow down and be careful.

- 4. Candidate Forum & Grant Request** – We can submit questions to City Council meeting for the current positions (two open) for the candidate forum. We'll send an email to everyone on our list to solicit questions. It's on October 8<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8. Grant request for \$25 to make the forum happen – video/audio recording/editing.
- 5. LoveOne Milwaukie Grant Request:** Tabled until next month.
- 6. Committee Reports –**
  - a. Chair: No report!
  - b. Vice-chair: Not present.
  - c. Secretary: No report!

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- d. Webmaster: Set up a fire resource page during the fires which was very helpful. We have the log in for the Facebook group!
- e. Treasurer: Balance is: \$2,474.17. Should be \$4,000 more once we finish the grant report.
- f. Land Use:

**Hillside**: Environmental study completed. Concern because there is lead and asbestos in the materials. The documents implied that there would be a report attached regarding mitigation for hazardous material, and couldn't find anything about the method of removal. Entirely unclear what they are going to do with the houses and any demolitions.

Lisa continues to get questions/comments and read statements that the city is working diligently with the NDA on this project and she has not heard anything from anyone outside of meetings she attends.

Very concerned about access and greenway on 29<sup>th</sup> and opening this road to more traffic. Discussions about opening 29<sup>th</sup> to the East/West intro to the industrial access from Ardenwald Neighborhood.

Feels a lot like they are trying to keep it from the NDA and public that they are opening up the streets to a lot more cars because it is very hard to get information or figure out what is going on

**Stein Oil Site**: Type 2 land use review permit. (Even though it should be type 3 because of how close it is to the intersection). Statement from Bama and Owner says it will be 30 feet tall, but then some other parts say 45 feet. Very hard to determine what is what and figure out what is going on. One more week for comments. No safety concerns addressed. The builder wants the access to be on Olsen, but it has always been on 32<sup>nd</sup>.

The fence has been removed, and there is a land-use notice in the far back corner. City will ask the applicant to move the sign somewhere where it can be read on the property.

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Heart of the neighborhood and needs to be safe and appropriate, but very hard to make sure that is happening without all the information. Doesn't appear that there has been a traffic study, as we requested.

**Other.** Three birch trees were cut down, but they needed to be and were dying.

- g. Southeast Uplift: We are still seeking a member for this position!
- h. Transportation: Elvis is going to go and show Clackamas how idyllic 29<sup>th</sup> is right now and how more traffic isn't necessary.
- i. Public Safety Advisory Committee: School pathway already discussed; community emergency response training is not currently happening due to pandemic, but Elvis wants to do. Encouraging people to be involved. There is an online person available with the hands on part happening later. CERT did participate during the fires helping with donations etc. Seemed to be some issues with communication between groups, but largely worked well.
- j. Membership:

**Antiracism training:** 1) City has contracted with EmpressRules. 2) Two Day training for 30 people for \$7,500. 2) Also recommended Portland Underground graduate school, it's in the evening, tiered pricing depending on income. 25% off if registered together. 3) A third option is getting some training through the city of Portland and the program called Neighbors Together option, free, groups of 5-7; lots of topic to chose from and we just need to give them a date/time and let them know which topic option we are looking for.  
<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/civic/62587>. Going to start with the topic on Implicit Bias! Will follow up.

- k. Art: Not present
- l. Balfour Street Park: Not much going on, discussion of plant sale in the fall, possibility of doing it online, but hard to figure out how it would work.

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**Milwaukie Bay Park:** Hoping to create more public play structures. Needs 1 million more dollars by fundraising by supporting local businesses who will then donate to the park. See [www.milwaukieparksfoundation.org](http://www.milwaukieparksfoundation.org) or the Facebook page!

**Minthorn Springs Clean Up:** on October 24<sup>th</sup>! See website above for more information! Sign up soon!! It will fill up!

**Tideman Johnson:** Also clean up organized on October 3<sup>rd</sup> – only 10 people! Last clean up they found a mattress and other remnants/trash.

m. Ardenwald PTO: No position member!

7. Approve June Meeting and July Special Meeting Minutes. Move to approve – Lisa; Seconded – passes.
8. Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn; seconded and passed! 8:09 p.m.

**The next meeting is:  
Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**

