



**NORTHEAST COALITION
OF NEIGHBORHOODS**

NECN Board Meeting

December 18, 2018

6:30 pm

NECN

Meeting Attendees

Mariah Dula, Chair, Alameda
Sean Green, Vice Chair, Sabin
Kym Jeka, Treasurer, Humboldt
Jere Fitterman, Secretary, Eliot
Dennis Kennedy, Parliamentarian, Woodlawn
Jennifer Jardee-Burquist, King
Chris Tanner, Sullivan's Gulch
Ankur Dholakia, At Large
Shirley Minor, At Large
Luke Norman, At Large
Nell Parker, At Large

Staff

Adam Lyons, Executive Director
Laura Becker, Planning and Operations Manager
Jessica Rojas, Community and Environmental Engagement Manager

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

Review and Approval of Minutes

The board reviewed the October board meeting minutes. **Sean moved to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by Mariah, approved.**

Environmental Engagement

Jessica reported on NECN's work on climate and environmental issues in our district which includes two freeways, the Willamette River, trains and industrial areas. Jessica engages our partners including Neighbors for Clean Air, Portland Clean Air, 350 PDX and others, around our watershed, green infrastructure, native gardens, etc. and follows local and state legislation to advocate for grassroots groups that seek our input and support.

The board reviewed a letter to the Environmental Protection Agency urging them to not further delay the Portland Harbor Superfund cleanup or lower standards that reduce the scope of the process. After discussion, **Kym moved to approve sending the letter, seconded by Jere, approved.**

Executive Director Report

Adam presented his Executive Director report highlighting NECN's work over the last month including finishing the latest issue of Hey Neighbor! focused on housing affordability and working on possible videos and events with commissioner Eudaly's office and University of Oregon's Agora School of Journalism.

Financial Report

Laura presented the November financial report. NECN's finances remain strong and expenses are on track with the budget.

Racial Equity Toolkit

The board agreed to discuss this at the January meeting due to time constraints.

Priorities

The board reviewed their 2018 priorities, following an update of the Land Use and Transportation Committee's priorities for 2019. The board reiterated Housing Affordability and Transportation Safety and Access as the top priorities and discussed other issues. After discussion, **Chris moved to re-adopt the**

current priorities, seconded by Kym, approved. The board will continue to discuss priorities at future meetings.

Houselessness Listening Sessions

Mariah and Keith have worked on an agenda for listening sessions around Houselessness for neighborhoods to convene. The goal is to inform residents about the unique challenges and circumstances for emergency shelters in different parts of the city, and to engage those interested around solutions.

Neighborhood Updates

Eliot: Ballots with parking pilot

King: Association is down to only three members.

Sullivan's Gulch: Also looking at parking permit pilot for commuters

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes taken by Laura Becker