

Harlow Neighbors Association Minutes

May 13, 2009

Call to Order

Executive Chair Bob Kline called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Monroe Middle School Cafeteria. Executive Committee members present: Marguerite Zolman, Richard Edwards, Chara Carrier, Marian Spath, Jack Radabaugh, Peg Renkert. All attendees introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes

The March 18, 2009, General Meeting Minutes were approved.

Officials' Reports

Police Department Lieutenant Rich Stronach reported that the new chief will be selected without use of an outside agency and that the selection should be completed in the summer. He also discussed the proposal to move the Department to the Country Club Road site: the prime objection centers on removal from the downtown area, while positive aspects include the financial savings over other proposals and the fact that response time should not be an issue.

Election of HNA Officials

The following slate for 2009-2010 was unanimously elected: Chair, Chara Carrier; Vice-Chair, Bob Kline; Recorder, Marian Spath.

Speakers' Forum I: Larry Fox, ODOT, I-5 Willamette Bridge Project

The bridge is scheduled to be completed 12/12/12. The new bridge was needed because cracks were discovered in the old structure during a 2004 inspection. Bridges and the highway system have a 50-year life span, which has passed since the construction of both in the fifties. The temporary span was completed in record time because no environmental assessment was conducted, due to the emergency. The new bridge, at a cost of \$150 million, will contain three lanes, required by Federal guidelines.

Speakers' Forum II: Bill Almquist, City Assistant Planner; Stephanie Jennings, Grants Manager, Community Development Division

The Willakenzie Affordable Housing Project was updated with an explanation of the Request for Proposals procedure and the accompanying timeline. The audience was involved in the discussion with many questions and objections, and Chair Bob Kline noted that HNA has not endorsed the project.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Recorded by Marian Spath