Creston Kenilworth Neighborhood Association Meeting
5-22-2017
Shut Up and Eat

Yashar Vasef, John Gethofer, Jason deParrie-Turner, Joanne Shepard, Jeanne deParrie-Turner, Jordan deParrie-Gilbert, Rachel Davies, Elizabeth McPherson, David Hackney

7:02 John moved to approve agenda, Joanne seconds. All in favor.
7:03 Rachel opens announcing that it’s election night. CKNA helps neighbors connect with each other so we can support each other. We sponsor events (MITP, NNO, Clean-up, give financial support for neighborhood projects, traffic and air quality issues, out reach to immigrants, platform for local leader to come announce projects and Q&A, officer reports, neighborhood watch trainings)

7:07 Officer said CKNA crime is relatively low mainly car thefts and petty crime. Still a huge shortage of officers, 300-500 depending on whom is citing the estimate.

7:23 Multnomah county commissioner for district 3, Jessica Vega Pedersen is presenting. New county commissioner (since Jan) and is an all women county commission. Working a lot with issues of homelessness and housing. Making sure our services is accessible to all people. Made a strong stand against current national administrations immigration policies. Funded immigration defense.

Q: Have you ever heard of the term “land value tax” and have you talked about this possibility?
A: We would need a state action. Our property tax system is in the constitution. Many issues with our property tax system. We can encourage the state to allow us to take local action. The affordable housing bond that passed in January. The pilot program for ADU’s built on homeowners land for 5 years had a huge outpouring of support.
Q: How do you feel about Rapid Transit?
A: In support of transit only lanes.
Q: What’s your take on the transportation package?
A: constitutionally our gas tax can only be used for roads only. Small employee transit tax. Will likely do a regional bond for transit because our traffic creates issues for smaller communities who market products here.
Q: can you keep education as a top priority?
A: county only has some to do with sun programs but nothing with PPS.

7:48 Community announcements Rob Nosse will be at SEIU on Wednesday for an environmental town hall.
Disaster preparedness information available.
Anne-Marie political director for Healthy Kids&Education coalition. Looking to get an excise tax on sugar sweetened beverages. 1.5 cent per ounce which is projected
to raise 28.4 million in the first year. Used to fund education and public health. The coalition board will be comprised of the county it serves.

John has been looking around at neighborhood garage sale idea. Maybe piggy-back on another neighborhood yard sale.

Kenilworth Park and Grout Elementary off leash issues. Dog attacks and other problems. Contacting PP&R is the best avenue.  
8:09 Neighborhood Association board elections, Kelly Federson from SE Uplift is here for elections. John said since joining the board he feels more engaged and committed. Thinks we need representation from Creston, currently it is all Kenilworth. Joanne is 25 and loves being on the board because she finds it to be a welcoming community. John Legler is interested in joining the board-he is already committee chair for disaster prep-is a renter at Kailash. Jason is up for reelection and helps with outreach and communication.  

8:23 John motions to elect by slate. Yashar seconds. All in favor. John moves to elect slate and Jordan seconds. All in favor.  
8:26 John moves to approve March and April minutes. Jason seconds. All in favor.  

8:27 John moves to adjourn and Jason seconds. All in favor.  

Prepared by Jeanne deParrie-Turner