

Board members introduced and included: Ron Laster, Geoff Hyde, Ken Peterson and Mary Cal Hanson

Committee members in attendance included: Pete Sevcik, Lily Lemon, Steve Lemon and Patrick Gillen. Concerned neighbors in attendance included: Anne Clark, Michael Bower and Joe King.

Guest attending the meeting included Mary Tompkins from ONI and Larry Bingham from the Oregonian newspaper.

The agenda was provided, reviewed and a motion to approve the agenda was made, seconded and passed.

Meeting minutes: unavailable at this time will be reviewed and approved and the next JCS Committee meeting.

Elections: The position of a committee chair was announced to steer the GPNA/JCS subcommittee. Ken Peterson has accepted this position and there were no other volunteers. Some of the responsibilities of the position include but are not limited to setting the agenda and meeting dates and times. Checking on room availability at the Grant Park Baptist Church and coordinate any guest speakers.

The Office of Neighborhood Involvement (ONI) has a representative here tonight and her name is Mary Thompkins from the Crime Prevention unit of ONI. Mary provided a print out of a map of the Grant Park neighborhood and surrounding area with the focal point of the new JCS at 1714 NE 33rd. Not the newer store at 1715 NE 33rd Ave. Along with this map was the latest crime statistics from July 2011 until June 2012. This crime data was limited to a 500 ft radius from the JCS and was gathered from service calls to the police. JCS is in contact with ONI and the Crime Prevention unit. Ken Peterson noticed that the 500 ft radius includes a lot of empty space (Albina fuel lot and I-84).

Ron inquired as to the next steps that JCS must take in order to get their liquor license approved at the new store? Mary responded that the OLCC bases the approval only on complaints at the first JCS and only if it happens on the JCS property.

Ron has been in contact with the representative from the JCS re: removing malt liquor sales at the store. Ms Jackson countered with agreeing to limit alcohol sales at 1:00 am for a 1 year trial and continue to sale malt liquor (unrestricted), and adopt the 18 pt GNA that the GPNA already has in place with QFC. She countered with a NO vote and with no other counter proposals.

Mary recommended contacting Teresa Marcetti at the OLCC to voice concerns about the new JCS. Ron spoke to the licensing requirements and all the different groups who must sign off on the OLCC approval including the Chief of Police. The chief must find an unfavorable endorsement and notify the OLCC before approval is granted. But complaint must be tied to the JCS. Ken Peterson recommended to the neighbors to contact the City of PDX and voice complaints with regard to JCS.

Mary also informed the group that the liquor license would be posted tomorrow (August 2nd) on the new JCS property. Complaint can be written on the page.

Resolutions Northwest could come in to assist in conflict resolution if needed.

Steve Lemon made a motion that the JCS committee chair (Ken Peterson) in cooperation with the GPNA will contact the appropriate parties via letter expressing the GPNA/JCS committee opposition in the granting to the JCS a liquor license at 1715 NE 33rd Avenue local. The motion was seconded, voted on with 7 members for, one member against and 2 abstentions. The motion was passed.

Next step: meeting with the OLCC. Meet with JCS and possibly Resolutions NW to develop a GNA.

Ron recommends sending emails to the OLCC, City of PDX, City Commissioners, ONI, Land Use and SALT (Sustainability and Livability team) under NECN (ONI?). Ron will build and send out an email list of the aforementioned people.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm- Minutes taken by Mary Cal Hanson