

Minutes of the npGreenway Board Meeting (via Zoom)
October 14, 2020

ATTENDEES:

Board Members: Lenny Anderson, Jay Bockelman, Pat Jewett, Cynthia Newton, Francie Royce (acting chair), Pam Arden, Trang Lam, Steve McClure
Guest: Mel Huie (Metro)

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES: The Board approved the September meeting minutes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Treasurer's Report

We have \$4,000. Francie, Pam, Cynthia and Trang agreed to split the extra \$500 needed to pay for the bandanas which are being printed.

Metro Program

Francie will speak at the October 16 Metro program. Because npGreenway is a 10.4 mile section of the 40 Mile Loop it's important that we have a voice at the meeting described here.

The next regional trails forum will be taking place online via Zoom on **Wednesday, October 21 from 1 to 2:30 p.m.**

Tune in to learn about the status and future of the 40-mile loop trails. Join a roundtable of state and regional park and trail providers, nonprofit organizations, trail advocates, and local and regional governments to learn about the 40-Mile Loop Trail. The regional trails forums have moved to an online format and will highlight different geographic areas each time. This forum is co-hosted by Metro and the 40-Mile Loop Land Trust.

A \$9 million grant program is for transportation so the trails portion focuses on trails that lead to jobs.

Lenny mentioned the importance of the npGreenway stretch from Baltimore Woods to Swan Island and getting across Lombard since this is a major route from North Portland area to jobs on Swan Island.

Report on Albina Vision

Francie attended a recent meeting where she learned that Janet Bobb is consulting with them and learned generally what they are working on.

They hoped Measure 26-218, known as Get Moving 2020, would pass and possibly

provide funding for some aspect of their work. The Measure is described here:

In July 2020, after years of engagement with communities and leaders around the Portland region, the Metro Council referred a regional transportation investment plan to greater Portland voters.

Known as Get Moving 2020, this plan proposed scores of safety, transit and traffic improvements as well as several safety and transit access programs across Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties.

[We now know that this Measure did not pass.]

Report on Albina Yard-Cynthia, Francie, Trang

Cynthia reported sending to politicians a letter obo npGreenway supporting research into yard relocation. Trang knows Mo, who is a student at U of P, and has worked with on projects. Later emails among Cynthia, Trang and Mo made that connection.

Report on University of Portland Trail Work–Trang

The McCormack and Baxter cleanup is done but legal work is needed to _____. At the lower campus, land preparation is continuing but when that portion of the work is done construction will cease for the winter due in part to COVID impacts on cash flow. The target completion date has been pushed back. The trail will be constructed near the end of the project, forecast for 2022. The Board expressed strong interest in being part of the grand opening ceremony.

There have been some discussions with the Union Pacific about getting around the bluff on the south side of the project and an engineering professor had done a study at some point. Trang will see if she can locate more info about that study.

Report on Willamette Cove

Cassie of _____ recently participated in _____ and provided their vision for the Cove. Trang later connected Cassie with Commissioner Chase's VP of Operations. University of Portland will send a support letter to partner with Parks to devise a master plan.

Report on Baltimore Woods-Francie and Steve

Francie recapped the history of the LID falling flat. Dave Golden owned the Columbia Sportswear Building.

The Board discussed going back with people from Baltimore Woods to urge PBOT to change the design of Decatur.

Steve volunteered to reach out to Barb Quinn at Baltimore Woods to set up a meeting.

Report on Bandana Project

Cynthia reported that she and Charity got the bandanas to the maker and that they should be completed soon.

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia Newton

