November 2018 - SE Uplift Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Attendance:

Board Members:
- Ambar Solarte
- Taylor Wallau
- Terrence Dublinski-Milton
- Susan Gershwin
- Miguel Rodriguez
- Abigail Ball
- Paul Willey
- Mary Barrett
- Kristiana Nelson
- Daniel Amoni
- Matchu Williams
- Sam Nobel
- Emma Stocker
- Nadyne Rosin
- Brian Hochhalter
- Tina Kimmey
- Reuben Deumling
- Christopher Bacher

Staff:
- Molly Mayo
- Leah Fisher

Guests:
- Meg VanBuren
- Ashley Lopez
- Lotus Romey-Yu

Introductions and Announcements:
- Woodstock had a great approval and huge turn out for it `s Halloween Party
- Mercado had a super huge Day of the Dead celebration
- Central City in Motion Letter has been drafted. Expect that in your in-bin.
- Mt. Tabor has a Day Before Thanksgiving board meeting. Please join us and be thankful.

Mulugeta Seraw Sign Caps:
Mulugeta Seraw was murdered outside his apartment in the Kerns neighborhood by white supremacist skinheads. The murder later passed away in Jail. This was a notable tragedy that occurred exactly 30 years ago (November 13th). SEUplift is working on a commemoration for Mulugeta Seraw along with other community partners to commemorate his death. There is going to be a conference about anti-hate and other related topics on the 13th of November at PSU from 9:. This is done in conjunction with Urban league.
Also there are going to be 20 sign caps to be installed at 17 intersections of SE Portland.

We will have a few moments to share an anti-hate message at the event on the 14th from 9:00 - 9:30. The appointed represented will be speaking at the unveiling.

**Moving Forward with Committees:**

At our board retreat there was conversation about forming committees that support the work of the board outside of the board meetings. We would like to talk about committee requests and ideas that we have had for potential ideas for this area. This topic is about one specific idea.

**Clean Air.**

We have a long history in talking about this topic. Currently there is a Diesel Air coalition that is running out of the Brooklyn Neighborhood. There is enough interneighborhood support that there is an opportunity to have this become a standing committee at SEUplift. They requested additional support from SE Uplift. They are discussing this between their members but are on board. This is in scope with our goals as a board.

**Question:**

Is this Committee (such as it currently is) happy with that arrangement?

**Answer:**

We are unsure about the feelings of the members of this group on the subcommittee arrangement in SEUplift. This will start the dialogue.

*Motion by Terry Dublinski-Milton to make the offer to create a sub-committee on Clean-Air Issues in conjunction with the Brooklyn Neighborhood committee.*

*Motion 2nd by Nadyne Rosin*

*Motion approved by all members save one*

*One Abstention*

*Motion Passed*

**Neighborhood/Organizations etc. Toolkits:**

Various neighborhood associations have had issues with mailers and other resources for seemingly simple things that need to be done. Mailers, communication and other items have been an uphill battle. The request is to create a Neighborhood Association toolkit for common issues:

- Dealing with Money
- Communications, mailers etc.
- Low Hanging Fruit Ideas for Community Events
- Good neighbor agreements and other paperwork
- Org Charts (how to set up google accounts for documents and processes)
Various Volunteers for sources of information and Committee members

Strategic Planning Sub-Committee
Members are already in place for this. Catt and Julia, Christopher and Reuben. This will be a process with a long term vision for SE Uplift.

The goal for this committee is to be a first set of eyes on thinking through the process of guidance for a strategic plan for the board. It’s an overall vision for the board and Organization for the longer term plan (3-5 + years).

SE In Active Motion (SEAM):
Create better network connectivity in the area’s of SE Uplift. There is a good bit of improvements that can be made to improve transportation by bike or bus. They are looking at a city planning grant in the region (Woodstock, Brentwood Darlington, Foster-Powell, Lents and Mount Scott / Arleta) Options for grants are System Development charges or get onto the city budget planning cycle.

Approval of October Meeting Minutes:
Motion by to Sam approve the meeting minutes as updated
Motion 2nd by Brian Hochhalter
Motion approved by All present except 2
Two Abstention
Zero Votes Against
Motion Passed and Minutes Approved

Break:
Enjoy your Snacks

Officer Elections:
Description of the various roles up for election, their responsibilities and the role of the Executive committee.

There was some discussion about the means by which we vote for these various positions as well as Plurality (the number of votes cast for a candidate who receives more than any other but does not receive an absolute majority.) vs Majority (51%).

Each candidate on the ticket spoke about themselves, their involvement in the community, the city and region as well as SEUplift. Also their interest in the position they are running for.

Closing Announcements / Momentum Alliance “Homework”:
Expect an e-mail that requests homework from you over the course of the next month. We are requested to read and react to an article on Ethnic Cleansing and America's National Parks.

Adjourn:
Thank you for coming to our board meeting. See you next time.