

Minutes
Lake Grove Neighborhood Association
March 17, 2022

Chair Dan Anderson opened the meeting at 7:03 pm

Attending: Dan Anderson, Mike Buck, Trudy Corrigan, Audrey Block, Yoko Kinoshita, Jery Nierengarten, Chuck

No guests or neighbors in attendance

Minutes Approved

Treasury Report: Balance 2203.71

Chairman's Report

Dan indicated that surveyors from Habitat for Humanity were on their project at the corner of Upper and Boones Ferry. He reminded us that Metro hopes to be doing the affordable housing project across Boones Ferry at the Boones Ferry Project Staging Area. Both projects currently have the same ownership

Director Reports

Mike Buck

Mike advised that Kitty Kirkland from the Boones Ferry Project has told him they do plan for an April project completion celebration that will be an invitation only affair. The three neighborhood chairs will be invited along with business owners and City Council. The event will be outside at the Boones Ferry Shopping Center.

Jamie from Parks and Rec said they intend to make the Lake Grove Farmers Market and annual event. The will open on Sunday's in September from 11 AM to 4 pm, an hour earlier than last year at the same site on Hallmark Street.

The empty lot which is park of Mercado Grove on Hallmark may not be ever available for the Farmers Market as the new owner is considering either selling it or paving it for employee parking. It is unclear whether the site is part of the required natural space for Mercado Grove.

Mike indicated he had the full number of volunteers for his ivy removal work party off Bookside on March 27. The City as yet does not have a plan for evasive removal for Iron Mountain Park.

He noted that the no motorized vehicles on Iron Mountain Trail requirement includes electric bikes. Mike said he has seen 7-8 bikes together on the trail.

Yoko Kinoshita

Ice Cream Neighborhood Social Event is up in the air as reservation for part of Iron Mountain Park may not be possible.

General Discussion on trees

The state mandated changes in housing which allows for duplexes, triplexes and quadplexes is going to add to our struggle to maintain the Lake Grove urban forest. Mike suggested that builders that request variances might get fees lowered or eliminated if no trees were removed. He noted that the new walking paths which we want would mean we lose more trees. Climate change is killing trees and controlling fire risks will also add to our tree loss in both public and private areas. It was suggested that Dan might ask the other neighborhood chairs about this at the Mayor's Breakfast meetings with NA chairs.

Mike said it might help if builders were required to state how many trees they are removing for their project when the initial permits are being requested and requiring them not to exceed that amount further into the project.

Meeting adjourned 8:35 pm
Next meeting April 21