



The meeting of the Board of Directors of the *Friends of Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park Association, Inc.* was called to order at 10:10 a.m. on Friday, February 8, 2013 in the Lane House Annex. Present were board members John Robertson, Karen Roberson, Celia Scott, Deb Gray, Midge McGinnis, Steve Kennerly and Leslye Wing. Debbie Levings was unable to attend. Mike Burke was also present.

### **AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **Windows/Grant Status –**

Debbie is still unable to attend meetings due to family commitments. Midge did talk to Debbie and she has not heard from Amy McAuley.

Midge did receive an email via Debbie from Preserving Oregon requesting our Tax ID so that they could send us a check. Midge sent ID in and a check has arrived, however, it is only for around \$1,700. Midge was under the impression that the check would have been for the full amount of Amy's 1<sup>st</sup> billing (~\$3K). General feeling is that what has happened is that Preserving Oregon will reimburse ½ and it is our responsibility to fund the other ½ of all bills. Midge is going to email Debbie to see if we can find out what is going on. (email sent)

Midge is also going to email Amy in case Amy has been trying to reach Debbie and has been unsuccessful due to Debbie's 'leave of absence'. (email sent)

Originally Karen had said she would try to help with the grants, but since Steve has prior experience, Steve will see what he can find in the way of grants. Midge also will email Debbie (done) and ask her to try and contact Steve. We don't want to duplicate efforts! We hope to be able to tap Kinsman and maybe C. Giles Hunt for another grant. Without more grant funds, our School House project is on hold as we do not have sufficient funds to proceed with major work (ie: roof, etc.)

#### **Signs – Day Use**

The signs are done! YIPEE. Midge picked them up from Creative Images on way to board meeting and everyone got a chance to see them. Next step is for the Parks department to mount them. Attempted to contact Gary Groth during meeting, but was unsuccessful. Midge tried again later while still in town and talked to Gary. He gave

permission to just contact Eddie directly and arrange a time to meet him at the park. Midge called Eddie and he will contact her sometime next week and Midge will meet him at the park to hand over signs and confirm where they all should go. Total cost came in at \$612.44 (and we had a grant for \$500). Midge has also asked Debbie to advise what we need to do to report back to the grantor on our completion of this project. Due date for this is mid-March.

### **Adopt – A – Highway**

Rita has set the dates for 2013 Adopt – A – Highway cleanups. Leslye has posted the dates on the web site and Midge has let Gary Groth know. Dates are 3/25, 7/22 and 10/28. Midge will send email notices to members closer to the dates in hopes we can get some volunteers. Since these are week days, some of us cannot help out due to work commitments. Thankfully, it doesn't take a lot of volunteers to do the clean up. 4-6 is adequate.

### **Park Plan**

Board members have already seen the information regarding an upcoming Park Plan meeting that Gary Groth is arranging. To recap:

Tentative dates are April 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. April 5<sup>th</sup> being a general meeting and April 6<sup>th</sup> being first meeting for 'committee members'. The committee will be limited to less than 16 individuals. Gary has a list going of interested groups and if we receive any inquiries regarding these meetings, we need to steer them to Gary. (Midge talked to Gary after our board meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> and he prefers to have it this way. He also will be sending information out later to everyone with more information.) Our group will be part of the committee and we need to determine who would like to be our representative.

Initial meetings will be moderated by the Cispus Institute. Moderator for actual committee has not yet been identified.

Gary's goal is to have a working plan approved by October, 2013.

Side note...Gary HAS heard from Francis Eatherington and Audubon Society (Cindy Bright) and has them on the contact list.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

### **Orchard Trees – Grafted Trees**

Mike and Celia have planted one of the grafted trees they have been nurturing! Thank you Mike and Celia!

## **Gravesite**

Steve filled us in on some more information regarding gravesites that may be at the park. He has been talking to Pat O'Grady from University of Oregon. Pat is interested in pursuing grave research/location at the park. We are all in favor of anything that will help us preserve historical locations at the park.

## **Weed Eradication/Buring**

At our last board meeting, Midge volunteered to get in touch with Gary Groth regarding updates on weed eradication/burning. Gary replied via email "I have put Marty Amos in charge of the hawthorn project. Marty is a forester working for the Land Dept. and is very experienced in all types of herbicide applications and "site preparation" We'll make an ops plan this spring and most of the treatments will be done this summer."

## **Earth Day**

Celia asked if we would be participating in Earth Day this year. Celia is enthusiastic about this affair and we've given her our blessing to 'go for it'. Deb and Mike will more than likely help out and anyone else who has some free time, please let Celia know. Celia will double check the date, but she believes it is April 20. There is no fee for our presence at this affair and it has brought us some new members and definitely brought the park to new peoples attention.

## **EVENT DATES**

March 15, 2013 – Next Board Meeting  
March 25, 2013 – Adopt A Highway – 9 a.m.  
April 20 (?), 2013 – Earth Day  
July 13, 2013 – Mildred's Trail Dash  
July 22, 2013 – Adopt A Highway – 9 a.m.  
September 8, 2013 – Annual Picnic (Joint with Historical Society)  
October 28, 2013 – Adopt A Highway – 9 a.m.

## **NEXT MEETING**

Next Meeting will be on **March 15, 2013** at Lane House Annex at 10 a.m..

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:00 a.m.