

John asked about the dedication sign that he'd sent around. He doesn't want to ask the city's permission for it, but maybe we should keep that as an option for the grant, too. Mike thought that would be a good use for it.

Linda V. mentioned that the city has some safety signs available – lawn signs suggesting people slow down, be aware of children, etc. They have about 500 of them that can be picked up at City Hall. She wondered if that was something we wanted to do. They're free. Kim volunteered to follow up on that.

Park Project Update – Mike

Kim asked if the contractor was still coming out on Friday, November 6, and Mike said that that was the last he heard. He felt that we should leave a little bit of wiggle-room in case something goes wrong with that, and suggested having the wood chip spread the weekend of November 14. Mike has calls out to Active Children Portland, and Kathy Webb who's in charge of the Nike community grant. He stopped by Pella Windows as well and they're ready to send out an e-mail. He spoke to Joe Walsh and doesn't have any information from Welles-Fargo yet. He'll send info to us as soon as he knows more. Linda V mentioned she wouldn't be available the 14th.

Kim said that Michael Gonzales wrote in an e-mail that he's often getting contacted by people wanting to volunteer in the community, and asked that we keep him informed of volunteer opportunities. She'll pass on the info about the park build to him. She asked how many people per shift? Mike thought 12-15. It depends on whether or not the chips can be dropped near the equipment or if weather will force the contractor to dump them on the street, in which case we'll have to load/unload the chips into pickups and transport them with wheelbarrows. Kim had read the county's COVID guidelines and said it's not really clear, but she thought that we might be limited to 10 per shift, and asked how long each shift would be. Mike thought maybe 1.5 hour shifts to accommodate the groups, plus one for community members. Kim & Mike discussed logistics of how that would work with the fencing that will still be in place, since it'll mean just one opening to the work area. Kim mentioned maybe covering the wood chips with tarps if it's supposed to rain, but Mike felt tarps would just get stolen; he'll try to get the chips dropped on the 13th.

Mike has a canopy and a small table he'll set up for snacks and bottled water. He's going to ask the Wood Village Fred Meyer for donations. Mike thought we could manage groups of 15 in five shifts. Kim expressed skepticism that the corporate groups would provide 15 people each, and suggested getting that nailed down first, and then filling in with community volunteers. Mike will check with Fred Meyer re hand sanitizer and masks. The volunteers will need to bring their own gloves. We'll need to provide wheelbarrow, rakes and shovels. Mike asked Linda V to check with James Dunn on the tools. Kim said that the organization she volunteers with sanitizes the tools between uses, and suggested that we do the same between shifts. If people bring their own rakes and shovels, though, that'll lessen some of that concern. Mike thought that was fine, but that we should have a back-up plan in case there aren't enough tools to go around.

Kim said she'd send an e-mail out & post on Facebook gaging interest.

Other Business:

Well Project

The latest is that they got the drill bit stuck way down there, and although they have a plan to get it out, there will be at least a month of drilling after they get the bit out. It may be January before they finish. John added that he spoke with them about a week ago, and at that time the bit was broken off about 500' down, with another 200' to drill yet.

Park Dedication Sign

John asked for direction on the dedication sign he sent out, and people liked it. Linda V. said that she'll mention it to James Dunn, but Mike said he didn't think there would be a problem. He imagines we can go with our own design, but let's check. John asked Linda V to also confirm the dimensions permitted. Kim asked where we're going to put it, and Mike thought a post at the entrance to the playground. She expressed concern about a wooden post, and Mike said it would have to be steel in concrete to prevent theft and vandalism.

Board Members

Kim wondered if there's any concern about Board Member attendance. Linda P. is going to check the bylaws to see if there are participation requirements.

Linda P moved to adjourn, Linda V seconded. Meeting adjourned, 7:00 PM

Next Meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 16, 6:00-7:00 PM, over Zoom.