

FAN/Forest Hills Neighborhood Meeting September 6, 2006

Announcements:

City has openings for boards and commissions: see

<http://www.ci.oswego.or.us/boards/vacancies/currentvacancies.htm>

Harvest Festival – FAN/Forest Hills will complete a quilt for fund-raising at festival in Millennium Park in October. More details to come.

Tenth Street Green Street – City will be awarding contract next summer.

LONAC meeting 9:30AM Saturday morning September 2, at the Oswego Heritage House, Tenth Street and A Avenue.

Community Center Workshop at Safeco, Wednesday October 4, 6:30 – 8:30pm. See <http://www.lakeoswegocommunitycenter.org/locc/planning.htm> for details.

Community Center at Safeco site

- More recreation ideas rather than library.
- Staff pressing for decision about the library and Adult Community Center.
- Steering Committee starting to look at financials. \$60 million dollars for recreational facility; if add library cost goes up to \$75 million. Operating costs for new library would have to be handled with separate bond measure.
- Letters to the editor are helpful; cc Doug Schmitz and Judie Hammerstad.
- Letters received so far by the committee all want the library kept downtown.
- Lot of information about the proposed community center on the web: <http://www.lakeoswegocommunitycenter.org>

Treasurer's Report

Account Balance: \$419.35

Alley and October Construction

Last April residents from Fifth to Tenth Street got notices about sanitary sewer project.

- 400 holes in the alleys to reline sewer lines.
- Opportunity to get alleys graded and graveled.
- May get Rossman to help us with clearing large items from the alleys.
- Will talk more about this at next meeting, including about obstructions, structures, etc... in the alleyways.
- This project will be an opportunity for residents to learn the condition of their lateral and get contractor referrals if choose to fix.
- Questions? Contact Pat McDougal, P.E. Associate Engineer, pmcdougal@ci.oswego.or.us

Trees

Subcommittee met August 31.

- Will inventory character trees, working with David Odum (City arborist).
- Asking people to comment on every tree cutting permit, not just the troublesome permits.
- Looking at restating the mission statement.
- Want more members for subcommittee.

Forest Hills Plan

- Several subcommittees, including Tree, Housing Design/Code, Traffic...
- Vehicular and pedestrian traffic committee very active. Will meet Wednesday September 13, 5:30pm at City Hall with Eryn Deeming.

Infill Task Force

- No meeting since April or May
- May not meet again until staff has written code.

Fund-raising

- Quilt for harvest festival. Diana Bower found 20 squares already put together; just have to connect with borders and tie to batting. Looking for volunteers to help with that.

Noise Ordinance and Construction

- Permitted work allowed only:
 - 7am to 6pm Monday through Friday (residential)
 - 8am to 6pm Saturday (residential)
 - 8am to 6pm Monday through Saturday (non-residential)
- Work that does not require a permit may also be done:
 - 10am to 6pm Sundays and designated holidays

Proposal to City Council about Construction Citations

- Looking for way to address the few builders who have repeatedly and consistently violated the rules, e.g. noise ordinance, tree cutting.
- The City has the ability to charge fines on a daily basis, i.e. to cite violators for each day beyond the cure period that they are still in violation; City has not exercised this option.
- Motion to direct the Chair to carry our concerns to the City Council.
- Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

New Business

Neighborhood eyesores: junker vehicles, falling down fences, trash, etc...

Elliott Mantell presented proposal for flag lot in Forest Hills neighborhood.

Next Meeting: October 5