

RBCC BOARD MEETING 08/23/23

In Attendance: Gerd Prewett Alan Ross Anne Nolan
 Anne Anderson Adam Kastan Heidi McKibbin-Cooper
 Kathie Wiebel Marcus Miglorie Jessica Reisman

Discussion Items (*action items in bold italic*)

1. July Board meeting minutes were approved
2. Rentals – Gerd reports that rentals remain strong. She assumed \$10K for RBCC's FY 2023 but we've already earned \$12,235 YTD. **Board approved increasing cleaning budget by \$499 to \$749.**
3. Gerd anticipates our insurance renewal will be \$2K (v. \$1600 now).
4. Social Committee Updates:
 - (a) Ice Cream Social review – A great success. Lots of new faces. Props to Jessica for the right quantities of popular ice cream flavors. Thanks to Alan for the bowls.
 - (b) Next Mystery Movie Matinee will be Saturday 9/16 (third Saturday of the month, at 3 pm). Kris now has access to our existing FB page and will be able to post a teaser clue on it.
 - (c) Masked Ball: October 28, fundraiser for Rainier Valley Food Bank with a \$2K goal (with a thermometer to tract donations). Heidi said that it will be BYOB to share, with a staffed bar. The theme will be "Classy but Spooky" and there will be a contest for homemade masks. **Board approved a \$499 budget for appetizers/desserts, non-alcohol beverages and décor.** Attendance target is 80 people. **Anne A volunteered to see what it would cost for SPU to provide garbage/recycling/compost pick-up on regular basis or if per-event pick up is possible.**
 - (d) Boo Bash - 10/29, Sunday, 2-5 pm. At September member meeting, **RBCC will post a sign-up sheet to solicit volunteers.**
 - (e) Jazz Night – 8/20 event had 30-40 attendees.
 - (f) Storytelling – Jessica said that there will not be an event in September as the date conflicts with Rosh Hashanah.
 - (g) Arts and Craft Fair – **Alan will reach out to Dorothy and Joyce about a date in December.**
5. Monthly Lecture Series: Heidi and Marcus reported that they have 2-3 lecture ideas ready. The first one will be on Monday, 9/18 from 8-9pm (set-up starting at 7:30) and will feature Heidi talking about bugs (good ones and bad/invasive ones like the stinkbug). **Heidi will provide a blurb so that it can be posted on RBCC site, FB, etc.,**
6. The Back2School Bash is August 26. RBCC donated \$250. We won't have a table.
7. By-Laws Revisions Feedback – Only two comments so far.
8. Plant and Seed Swap at RBCC - 10/14. Alan needs help as he will be out of town. **Jessica and Heidi volunteered.**

9. Taylor Creek Restoration Project Value Study Public Meeting on 8/15 at the RB Comm Ctr. – Anne reported that it was extremely well attended (est. 50-60). Started with a bit of controversy over a flyer left at some neighborhood homes falsely asserting that SPU intended to exercise eminent domain to acquire their homes to enable the restoration project. SPU emphatically denied this and maintained that any home purchased for demolition for the project would be strictly voluntary. SPU reviewed 16 of the many more ideas that came from its Value Study relating to erosion/sediment control, material delivery methods and construction impact and sought the audiences' opinion on these ideas. The ball is in SPU's court to choose among these ideas and present its preferred path to the community by end of October.
10. Rentals Request Form Wordpress/Gmail Transmission Failure – Alan considers it fixed.
11. Replacement of 4 VFW Windows – Su got quote for \$15K, far in excess of typical City grant of \$5K. ***Kathie and Gerd will look into ways to get either a larger grant, multiple grants or \$ from VFW.*** The other alternative is to do 1 window at a time but that would ultimately be more expensive.
12. Role of RBCC vis a vis Smaller Community Groups – RBCC is being asked to be a fiscal sponsor or allow free use of its facility (Hutchinson, HUB, Waters Ave., Movie Nights, Jazz, Brett, etc.). We need to understand the tax, insurance and any other risks and develop guidelines for agreeing to these. ***Gerd agreed to look into his and prepare a structure for the Board to discuss this.***
13. Upcoming speakers:
 - (a) SEPT – SPD Community Outreach Coordinator (Marcus has confirmed)
 - (b) OCT – Lake WA Blvd Task Force / Alternative opinion to Coexist (***Alan is confirming – needs blurb***)
 - (c) NOV – RBAC Food Innovation Center (***Jessica to confirm – needs blurb***)

NEXT BOARD MEETING: September 27, 2023 at 7:00 PM