



# LAKE GROVE

## Neighborhood Association

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### MINUTES OF THE LAKE GROVE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

#### BOARD MEETING

Lake Grove Presbyterian Church, May 19, 2016, 7:00 PM

**Board Members Present:** Chair Jerry Nierengarten, Directors: Audrey Block, Mike Buck, Mike Carlson, Sheila Carlson

**Attendees:** AnneMarie Skinner and unidentified co-worker from Emerio Design, Ed Gehrig, Mike Buchman

**Call to Order:** 7:03 pm

**Treasurer Report:** No Treasurer Report. Chair Nierengarten stated the account balance was unchanged.

**Minutes:** The April 21, 2016 Board Meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

**Presentation:** 5000 Upper Drive Partition

Chair Nierengarten, in deference to the guests, allowed the neighborhood meeting as mandated by the partition request to go first on the agenda.

AnneMarie Skinner from Emerio Design passed out a rendering of the partition proposal for 5000 Upper Drive. The 115 foot wide lot is basically divided in two running north to south so each parcel is 57 feet wide and well over 169.5 feet long.

When asked why a flag lot was not considered, AnneMarie responded that the City does not prefer flag lots.

No significant trees seem to be on the property though an arborist report still needs to be done.

She went over the contours of the property, the utility hook-ups and connections and the thought that both houses would be served by one drive way and it would not be circular—meaning two accesses to Upper Drive.

The most interesting infrastructure scenario is the sewer hook-up. Apparently the lines in the street, one going west and the other going east, end at this property. Since they go in different directions and gravitational flow, the City does not want the sewer in Upper Drive to be connected. It would seem that these new houses would need to pump the sewage up to a new connection to these sewer lines.

An existing house and outbuildings on the site would be demolished. Asbestos concerns would be abated.

Interestingly, the house actually is built over the Union Pacific RR right-of way. AnneMarie said structures over property lines are quite common.

The owner, responding to a question on type of homes he planned to build, said he was contemplating more ranch style homes with an open basement to take advantage of the property's slope. With setbacks at 10 feet on each side, the building envelope would be reduced to 37 feet wide.

#### **Old Business:**

##### *Iron Mountain Park Master Planning Update*

Mike Buck gave a report on the May 12<sup>th</sup> Public Open House which featured a charrette style presentation and small group discussion on two conceptual design renderings.

Attendees could voice their ideas and suggestions regarding the concepts and their placement in the focus area which is the current staging area for the Water Partnership pipeline construction. People can also comment on-line if they go to [ironmountainpark.org](http://ironmountainpark.org).

As both a neighborhood and Friends of Iron Mountain stakeholder, Mike emphasized the need to balance human active use with the higher priority of providing restored habitat and ecosystems. He is hoping that this natural space could provide an opportunity for respectful contact with the beauty here but also be educational about how we integrate and temper human use with the ecology.

##### *Tree Code Update*

Mike Buck mentioned that the final meeting of the Tree Code Committee will be Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> and then the recommended Code Amendment package will go to City Council for a study session on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Mike went over some of the comments received at the Public Open House on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

He said the basic differences in people's thoughts about a regulatory code on trees stem from how they view and understand the benefits of trees for our community health.

He hopes neighborhoods can work together to help manage our urban forest and to find appropriate locations for the bigger, iconic tree species indigenous to our geography.

***New Business:***

*Regulating Marijuana facilities in Lake Oswego*

Jerry gave an overview of the issue after attending a Mayor's breakfast with the Chairs of our NA's.

He said the growing aspect or agricultural component could only take place in an Industrial Park zoning which would be Foothills for our City. Distribution outlets would be tightly regulated and have to be a certain distance from schools and day cares.

Voters will be voting on this issue in the November ballot.

*Country Club Remodel*

Jerry said along with the tree removal application that the Country Club was remodeling one feature of the building. One member thought the Country Club sold off property and took down trees on a site purchased by one of the owners of the Country Club.

*Neighborhood Enhancement Grant (NEP)*

Mike mentioned that he was concerned about the delay in the contractor, Nick Seagraves, submitting a design rendering for the median on Boones Ferry Road near the Twin Fir intersection. With work supposedly needing completion by June, he is concerned about whether the grant funds would be extended if the project was not completed. He has emails to Sarah Selden and Pam Petersen requesting clarification.

*Lake Grove History*

Toward the end of the meeting, guest Ed Gehrig entertained the Board and guests with his old-time stories of Lake Grove. Chair Nierengarten is hoping he can see some of Ed's old pictures which could go back into the 1930's and provide some great photos for the LGNA website.

**Next Board Meeting**

June 16, 2016, Lake Grove Presbyterian Church, 7:00 PM

**Adjourned:** 9:03 pm