



South Portland Business Association  
Board Meeting  
August 2, 2018  
Minutes

**Board Members Present:** Kevin Countryman, Mark Eves, Richard Rizk, Brian Tanz, Brad Nase, Chris Hatfield, Chad Seegmiller, Cathy Newman, Chad Seegmiller, Malea

**Board Members Absent:** Ben Weinstein

**Executive Director:** Pam Lemire

**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 08:46 am by President Richard Rizk

**II. AGENDA ITEMS:**

- The June/July minutes were approved
- **Treasurer:** Brian Tanz has agreed to replace Cathy Newman in the role as Treasurer
- **Membership Drive:**
  - 91 current members
  - 38 members still need to pay
- **SPNA Meeting:** Richard and Mark attended a recent SPNA meeting. Discussion started as to how we can form better partnership between the SPBA/SPNA. Richard suggested that 3 committees be formed and chaired by our Board members.
  - Transportation
  - Zidell Property Redevelopment
  - Issues impacting business in our region ( Now ICE)
  - Chad/Pam/Rich will meet next week to outline the committee responsibilities and time commitments.
- **Ice Protests:** The Board agreed that we should contact local businesses affected by the protest and offer our support, whether members or not. Kevin will contact Tesla and South Waterfront Storage and Richard will contact Old Spaghetti Factory and the Cottonwood School of Civics and Sciences.



- **Don Russ Letter:** The Board reviewed the very detailed letter from Fire Chief Don Russ written in response to our letter asking for further explanation on the cost study relating the recent address changes to “SOPO”.
  
- **Map Update:**
  - Pam will check with Parachute Strategies to see their charge to work of samples of a “SOPO” logo using “sextant” as a start.
  - Other suggestions included scenery (Willamette Park), people. Pam will check with the photographer from last year to see if he is still willing to do some shots in exchange for a complimentary membership.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:01 am

Thank you to the Buffalo Gap for hosting.

The next meeting will be Thursday, September 6 at the Buffalo Gap