



South Portland Business Association
Board Meeting
September 6, 2018
Minutes

Board Members Present: Kevin Countryman, Mark Eves, Richard Rizk, Brian Tanz, Danielle Brunner, Chris Hatfield, Malea, Chad Seegmiller

Board Members Absent: Ben Weinstein, Brad Nase, Cathy Newman

Guest: Len Michon

Executive Director: Pam Lemire

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 08:47 am by President Richard Rizk

II. AGENDA ITEMS:

- The August minutes were approved
- **Membership Drive:**
 - 78 current members
 - 25 members did no renew
 - 5 new members
 - Membership drive with regards to map listings is closed.
- **Map Cover:**
 - Map cover ideas to be available for Board Approval week of September 10
 - All listings complete- proofing to be done week of September 10
 - All map ads sold
 - Rich/Chad have agreed to form a committee to research map feasibility for 2019 and other income producing ideas
- **Committee Reports:**
 - Transportation: Kevin/Mark/Brad
 - The committee presented their multi-faceted proposal for changes in the footprint. The Board agreed that this should be shared with the South Portland Neighborhood Association in order to act in tandem to get these goals accomplished.
 - Zidell Property Development: No report



- **August 22nd Event at RizkLaw:**
 - Successful event-good mingling, relaxed atmosphere
 - Music was good idea
 - **Dani Event September 26th:** Dani asked the Board to contribute \$100.00 for event in exchange for the SPBA logo on the invite. Motion was made, seconded and passed for approval.
- **Portland Gross Tax Receipts Proposal:** Eric Freeman had asked the Board to distribute this information to our members. The Board was in agreement to oppose the tax, and, advise our members accordingly. Rich will prepare a letter of opposition and a press release. These will be distributed via our website, media, Emma and our Facebook page.
- **Willamette River Plan:** The meeting schedule for upcoming discussions on the Willamette River plan will be distributed to our members. Rich asked that the Board attend as many meetings as possible and encourage our members to do so as well.
- **2018 Holiday Event:** Pam and Malea will research venues. Event will include a toy drive and charity support.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:07 am

Thank you to the Buffalo Gap for hosting.

The next meeting will be Thursday, October 4 at the Buffalo Gap