



South Portland Business Association
Board Meeting
April 11, 2019
Minutes

Board Members Present: Kevin Countryman, Mark Eves, Cathy Newman, Brad Nase, Danielle Brunner, Malea

Board Members Absent: Brian Tanz, Chris Hatfield, Rich Rizk

Executive Director: Pam Lemire

Guests: Ben McLean, Zac Johnson: City of Portland, Environmental Services

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 08:47 am by Vice President Mark Eves

II. AGENDA ITEMS:

- **The minutes from the March meeting were approved.**
- Ben McLean gave an update on the Portland Sewer Project. He indicated that the project is expected to start the first of October and run for about a year. Detours will be in place in much of the Johns Landing footprint – but work will be done with existing business to limit disruptions as much as possible.
- **Committee Reports**
 - **Transportation Committee-** Mark discussed the “state of the city” with regards to vagrancy issues and how it has started to affect our footprint. A motion was made and passed to have our President write a letter to the city and ask that something be done immediately as the area is becoming a “slum”.
 - **Branding Committee-**Cathy is still working on branding and expects to have a report by the May meeting.



- **Financials**-Pam shared first quarter financials with the Board. The Board discussed the cost of luncheon events and possibility of raising the costs to recoup our expenses.
- **SPBA 2019 Board Positions:**
 - Terms will expire for Brian, Mark and Cathy in May 2019.
 - Board members will work on recruiting new Board Members.
- **2019 Events-**
 - April 17-Open House - evening event – March Wellness
 - May 22 Annual Meeting evening event with light buffet and Keynote HR Attorney (employee rights-exact title to be decided)/
 - Sept 18 Picnic Willamette Park
 - Oct 16 possible Fulton House B&B, Urban Office or RizkLaw
 - Nov 20 Holiday Party
- **May Board Meeting Presentation-** Rich Newlands, PBOT

Meeting was adjourned at 09:55a am

Thank you to the Buffalo Gap for hosting.

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 2 at the Buffalo Gap.