

OFDNA General Membership Meeting
October 24, 2007

Nan Loveland, acting chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members plus Eloisa Chavez, Neighborhood Association coordinator, and Margie Lussier, Larkspur Association chair, were introduced.

Joel McCarroll, Jim Bryant, and Rex Holloway of ODOT were introduced as guest speakers. ODOT is working with the city to remove traffic lights on the parkway. Three flyovers are planned at Powers, at Murphy Rd., and at the intersection of 3rd/Parkway. As of now, there is no money to implement these plans. Two plans for the on-ramps at Murphy were shown. A circular entry seems preferable to accommodate entries from all directions.

Nick Arnis, Bend Transportation Manager, spoke concerning the city's and Bend Transportation Department's plans for Murphy Road from the Murphy flyover east to 15th Street. Currently, of the 5 alternative plans, CH2MHill is recommending D and E. (These plans can be found at www.murphycorridor.com .) Current plans are for a 3-lane section with roundabouts and signals being debated. Property impacts are also an issue.

Robin Lewis, traffic engineer, discussed the city's updated plans for Reed Market Road. Currently the plans are for 2 lanes with turn pockets, landscaped medians, and sidewalks on both sides. Work is projected to begin in summer, 2008, with the double-lane roundabout being completed by fall, 2008. Members voiced concerns about the bus stop at Pettigrew, the roundabout filling up when trains stop traffic, and traffic pockets not being long enough to accommodate peak traffic times. Robin said she would get back with answers to these concerns. She also discussed new technology that is being implemented in other cities that notifies drivers of approaching trains so alternative routes can be selected.

Kathy Henderson led a short discussion of the Good Samaritan program and asked volunteers to contact her after the meeting or by using the OFDNA website. She also reminded members to check spam filters to allow OFDNA information and to keep OFDNA in mind when they change email addresses.

Bill Martin who is on the city's Urban Growth Boundary committee gave a short report on that committee's goals.

Elections were held for new board members. Nan Loveland and Kathy Henderson volunteered to serve another year. Laura McCoy and Debbie Hood put their names in nomination for two year terms. It was moved and seconded that all be elected. Motion passed unanimously.

During the Open House portion of the meeting, possible OFDNA focus areas for 2008 were voted on by members. Results will be discussed at the November board meeting and results emailed to members.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 p.m.