



Hayden Island Neighborhood Network

**2024 Annual General Membership Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 14, 2023 – 6 pm to 7:30 pm**

- I. **Call to order** – Presiding Officer, Martin Slapikas, Chair, HINooN
Zoom Host – Ellen Churchill, BOD
Secretary – Ellen Churchill, BOD

II. **Board Member Roll Call: [P] Present [A] Absent**

1	Association of Unit Owners of Riverhouse	Martin Slapikas	Chair	P
2	HI Manufactured Homeowners	Pam Ferguson	Vice Chair	P
3	Columbia Point West	Michelle Wemyss	Treasurer	P
4	Lotus Isle HOA	Ellen Churchill	Secretary	P
5	HI Manufactured Homeowners	Christina Fletcher		A
6	HI Manufactured Homeowners	Jan Roxburgh		P
7	Columbia Point	Janet Mack		P
8	Marina River House HOA	EC Mathews		P
9	At Large	Tom Dana		P
10	At Large	Marc Koller		P
11	At Large	Sam Churchill		P
12	Non-Profit Hayden Island-CSI	Gary Clark		P
13	Rob Lewis	Hayden Bay Homes	Needs three mtgs	A

Guests:

Waterside	Grady Hobbs	P
Jantzen Bay Moorage	Vicki West	P
Bridgton Neighborhood – land use	Walter Valenta	P
Retired Engineer from Seattle	Bob Ortblad	P

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III. **ESTABLISH QUORUM OF VOTING MEMBERS**

Only Qualified **Voting** Members are eligible to participate in the discussion and the vote. If the **required quorum of fifteen (15) qualified voting members** is not present, the meeting may adjourn for 1 minute

and reconvene on the same Zoom site with the quorum requirement reduced by half. (Only used in case HINooN does not have the regular quorum needed to conduct the business of the meeting.)

Eleven [11] Board members were present at this meeting and four [4] visitors were present. Two of the visitors from Hayden Island have attended at least three Board meetings, Grady Hobbs, and Marc Koller. The total number of qualified voting members at the meeting was thirteen [13]. However, since several Board members arrived late to the meeting, the Board waited a minute and started the meeting with ten [10] qualified Board members present before the other three members arrived.

IV. Approval of the February 8, 2024, HINooN Meeting Minutes

Martin Slapikas asked the Board if there were any changes or corrections to the February 8, 2024, HINooN meeting minutes. No one offered changes or corrections. The Board took a vote to approve the minutes. The HINooN Board unanimously passed the February meeting minutes as written.

V. Reports of Officers

Martin Slapikas - Chair

- A few years ago, the HINooN Board suspended the requirement for people living off the island to be Board members because the COVID epidemic almost completely shut down HINooN. There was something like 6 or 7 Board members still attending Zoom meetings. However, it was difficult for Martin to Chair the Board while living off the island and he recommended that we do not make a habit of authorizing those living off the island to be members of the HINooN Board.
- Martin received a notice from the City of Portland around March 10th. The mailing notified residents of the danger of possible landslides in different areas of the city. The map did not indicate that Hayden Island residents were in an area in danger of landslides.
- The federal government recently issued a \$450 million grant for building a Cap over the I-5 freeway in the Albina District. Martin is interested in how many lanes will be expanded at Rose quarter that will travel through the tunnel created by the Cap. He is worried that a freeway expansion at this location will create more congestion on I-5 as it approaches the Columbia River crossing. Martin reiterated HINooN's desire for a third crossing to help alleviate congestion and give another escape route in emergency situations.
- The Critical Energy Infrastructure Hub [CEI-Hub] across the Willamette River from St. John's is a major concern for St. John's and Hayden Island residents. The Multnomah County Office of Sustainability is working on landslide issues that would occur with the CEI-Hub destruction or a large earthquake. The Sustainability Office is aware of the danger surrounding the CEI-Hub. Their own evacuation plan includes crossing the Tilikum bridge. Martin would like the City of Portland to put together evacuation plans for people living in the St. Johns and NW Portland areas which would mean considering a 3rd Columbia River Crossing to aid in evacuation.

For more information see <https://www.multco.us/sustainability/cei-hub-seismic-risk-analysis>

- Martin took over Be Friend’s position as the HINooN representative for the Just Crossing Alliance. Just Crossing Alliance is a coalition of Environmental Justice, Climate Justice & Sustainable Transportation advocates who have endorsed a shared vision for the proposed replacement of the Interstate Bridge that connects Washington and Oregon across the Columbia River. The Just Crossing Alliance February meeting was canceled. Ellen Churchill Attended the March meeting in Martin’s place because Martin attended a luncheon downtown at the same time to hear a briefing on earthquake consequences for Portland and the surrounding areas if the Cascadia Subduction Zone fractures in the future.
- Martin said it has been an honor to serve the community as Chair of HINooN. He will continue to serve as the representative for River House.

1. Treasurer – Michelle Wemyss
WF INITIATE BUSINESS CHECKING

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WF BUSINESS MARKET RATE SAVINGS

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2. Vice Chair – Pam Ferguson

- Pam attended the N. Portland Chairs meeting. A lot of the discussion was regarding the transition of the new government and the merger with NPCN. The plan is to absorb neighborhood services.

Pam also attended the candidate forum at the St. John’s Church. She listened to the views of the candidates attending the event. The St Johns’ neighborhood is aware of the CEI-Hub vulnerability. The St John’s neighborhood had an information booth.

- Pam thanked Marty for all the service he has given to the community over many years.

3. Secretary – Ellen Churchill

Dredging: Last month I reminded folks of Columbia River Crossing dredging operations. Currently they are dredging around the floating homes at Island Cove. However, the dredging permit allows operations on the river until March 15th, Friday. The dredge pipe and operations will be gone within a week.

HINooN Meeting Room Needed: Janet Mack reported that she spoke with the Chair of Columbia Point West and the Chair agreed to let us continue use of the Columbia West Club House for HINooN meetings the second Thursday of every month from 6-7:30 pm

May HINooN Meeting Pending

Ellen will be leaving for Japan on May 9th and therefore will miss the May 9th HINooN meeting. HINooN could have someone else handle the Zoom meeting and prepare the minutes or HINooN could postpone a meeting until June 2024.

VI. Reports of Standing Committees

1. Executive Committee - Chair, Martin Slapikas

No report

2. Safety – Gary Clark

Hybrid Equipment: Gary Clark reported that he spoke with Ron Schmidt, Chair of the Waterfront Organizations of Oregon [WOOO]. Ron told him that he had used Owl Video Conferencing Equipment for hybrid meetings. WOOO would like to purchase the latest equipment. Therefore, they have offered to sell their used equipment to HINooN. Gary will contact Ron to get a price and more information. If the system is under \$1,000, HINooN would be interested in the purchase.

Crime on the Island: Gary reported that crime on the island is decreasing and marginally better. He is pushing real-time monitoring for associations that already have security systems. The Eyeforce system is like having a ring doorbell on steroids. This system identifies suspicious characters via video and thus allows folks to talk directly to perpetrators in real time to discourage crime. If the Eyeforce system identifies suspicious activity, it will send a security person to that location on the island within five minutes. There are several communities looking into the Eyeforce system. <https://eyeforce.com/>

3. Communication – Pam Ferguson

HAPPENINGS:

March 15, Friday between 6:30 and 8:00 pm, HINooN will sponsor a community wide greet and meet to talk about the new HINooN Board, City voting, play island trivia and enjoy desserts supplied by the 909 Café. The meeting is at the Hayden Island Manufacturing Home Community South Shore Club House, 2231 North West Shore Drive.

April 13th, Saturday, the South Shore Clubhouse is reserved from 6:30 to 8 pm for the City Advisory Board to speak with neighbors about the new City of Portland government.

April 13, Saturday, Habitat for Humanity Restore Home Improvement Store will have a truck on Hayden Island to pick up donations from Hayden Island residents. The location of the truck has not been determined.

April 18th the South Shore Clubhouse will host the Interstate Bridge Replacement Project [IBRP] between 6:30 and 8 pm to discuss bridge fatigue. Pam has asked that they bring maps of Hayden Island showing how the proposed IBRP plan will affect our community. She does not want the typical IBRP canned presentation.

4. **HINooN Website** – Sam Churchill

Sam reported that he has updated the HINooN meeting minutes to the HINooN website.

5. **Land Use** Committee report by Bridgeton Land use Chair, member Walter Valenta

Walter congratulated Marty on his retirement as Chair of HINooN. He stated that the Board will miss his contribution and efforts.

Walter shared that crude drawings of the Rose quarter expansion are available if folks want to look them up. The comment period will come up and that is the time to address any issues.

There is another federal grant coming up for work on the Bridgeton Levee. The plan is to raise the ground level starting at 33rd drive to Bridgeton Road. The design work has just begun. This activity will not affect Hayden Island directly, but it will be a giant project. The levee project is a safety issue.

Tolling the I-5 Columbia River crossing is going to happen in order to help pay for the proposed new bridge. Tolling will be more expensive during rush hour to discourage people that absolutely do not have to travel during rush hour from crossing the bridge. The concern is that rush hour tolling will hit low-income people the hardest. Low-income workers do not have flexibility to choose when they work. Tolling will start in the middle of the bridge.

Walter reminded the Board that the community can be much more powerful if we speak as a region rather than individual neighborhoods.

VII. Reports of Special Committees

Just Crossing Alliance (JCA) – Ellen Churchill, HINooN Representative to JCA

The outcome of the March 13 meeting was to remind folks that the Environmental Impact Statement [EIS] was due at the end of April. The public will have 60 days to comment on the EIS statement. We should review the EIS when it comes out and make sure we are ready to comment before the 60 days are up.

VIII. Unfinished Business

HINooN Volunteer Needed: Ellen reminded the Board that at last month's meeting Pam Ferguson mentioned the \$120,000 available from the PIR North Portland Trust Fund to address noise reduction

and air pollution. The PIR North Portland Trust Fund Board would like a volunteer to attend community engagement activities. Please help find a community member willing to attend these meetings.

IX. New Business - None

X. Notes regarding the temporary disruption to the HINooN meeting.

Gary Clark's comment

HINooN's Zoom meeting was essentially "hacked," and it was bound to happen sooner or later. We just need to be aware of the threat and take steps to protect ourselves from future attempts. While the event was an embarrassment, it's an unfortunate industry-wide problem with teleconference calls open to the public. It's comparable to being hacked on Facebook or other forms of social media.

Attempts of this sort are all too common. There are groups of individuals that use fake credentials to gain entrance to online meetings with the sole intent of disrupting meetings open to the general public. Once in, these groups will wait for the right moment to start their disruptive behavior in unison, which often includes yelling & screaming, playing loud music, or displaying an unpleasant video. This is what happened in tonight's meeting. However, tonight's disrupters were quickly exited out of the meeting.

ELECTIONS FOR AT-LARGE, BUSINESS AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, BOARD OF DIRECTOR POSITIONS

SECTION 4. ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS:

One (1) At Large Position – Candidate Marc Koller from The Yacht Harbor Apartments/Sapere Bay

The Board took a vote to elect Marc Koller to the At Large Board position. The HINooN Board unanimously approved Marc Koller for the At Large position.

Three (3) Business Positions – Open – No candidates

One (1) Non-Profit Organization positions – Open – No candidates

Martin asked for nominations from the floor. Since there were no nominations for eligible voting members, a motion to adjourn this part of the meeting was made, seconded, voted on and the General Membership Meeting was adjourned.

THIS CONCLUDES THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF QUALIFIED VOTING MEMBERS OF HINooN. WHILE YOU ARE WELCOME TO REMAIN, ONLY BOARD MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DISCUSSION AND VOTE ON BOARD OFFICERS.

**2024 ANNUAL HINooN BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Positions Open

- **Chair** – Announced Candidate Pam Ferguson. The Board took a vote to elect Pam Ferguson as the 2024 HINooN Chair. The HINooN Board unanimously approved Pam Ferguson as Chair.
- **Treasurer** – Announced Candidate Michelle Wemyss, The Board took a vote to elect Michelle Wemyss as Treasurer. The HINooN Board unanimously approved Michelle as Treasurer.

Terms of Office:

Vice Chair & Secretary positions shall expire in odd-numbered years.

Chairperson and the Treasurer shall expire in even-numbered years.

Committee Chairs

Committee chairs are appointed by Chairperson of the Board and approved by a majority of the Board.

1. **Executive Committee – Pam Ferguson**
2. **Land Use and Government Affairs Liaison**
[Temporarily borrowed Walter Valencia from the Bridgton Neighborhood to report]
3. **Environment & Livability – Vacant**
4. **Grievance Committee – Vacant**
5. **Safety – Gary Clark**
6. **Transportation – Vacant**
7. **Communications – Pam Ferguson**
8. **Business Development – Vacant**

II. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 by Martin Slapikas

Next General meeting will be on Thursday, May 11, 2024

The next **Annual Membership Meeting** next year will be at 6 PM, Thursday March 13, 2025



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

FOR THE CURRENT PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 29TH 2024

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