



**Hosford-Abernethy Neighborhood Association Board
HAND Board Meeting
April 14, 2026**

Attendees:

HAND Board members		
Name	Title	Present?
Chris Eykamp	Chair	X
Mark Linehan	Treasurer	X
Michelle Sprague	Communications chair	X
Barbara Stross		X
Karen Girard	Secretary	X
Peggy McDaniel	SE Uplift Board representative	
Jill Riebesehl	SE Examiner liaison	X
Phil Cox	Land Use	X (online)
Kim Nurmi		X
Kayla Kennett		X
Andrew Wilker		X

Guests: Avery Berchek, Bill Crawford, Christopher DeAngelis, Alicia Garcia, Cynthia Langlykkie, Tamara Lynne, Lauren McCune, Linda Nettekoven, Sarah Radelet, Cesar Ramirez, Tom Sollitt, Juno Suarez, Sally Travi

Chris opened the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Approval of March HAND Board Meeting minutes and treasurer's reports

- Mark moved to approve the March minutes and treasurer's report. Barbara seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

People's Co-op (Christopher DeAngelis, Sarah Radelet, Tamara Lynne)

- People's Co-op has used the driveway to the north of the store to receive deliveries and to keep garbage and recycling. When the co-op expanded in 1997 - agreement for use of driveway.
- The property line runs down the middle of the driveway. The side of the driveway belonging to 3019 SE 21st is zoned strictly residential.
- People's bought the house at 3019 SE 21st and is seeking a Type 2 review (non-conforming review; staff-level review with appeal to the Land Use Board) to officially sanction the use of the driveway to receive deliveries. People's purchased the house to legitimize the use of the driveway (existing, ongoing use).
- Nothing is proposed to be changed or modified.
- Tracked building to 1910 - has to show that the property has been used for this purpose for a long time. Otherwise, there is no way to use the property for commercial purposes.
- [Notice of a Land Use Proposal LU 26-015826 NE](#) - comments due April 24th
- Andrew made a motion that HAND should send a letter in support of People's Co-op. Barbara seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Sobering Center - HAND representative for Good Neighbor Agreement Process

- Need a HAND representative for the Good Neighbor Agreement (GNA) for the new Multnomah County Sobering Center.
- Andrew and Phil volunteered to be the HAND representative. Will get in touch with Marc at Multnomah County.

The Bottle Redemption Center (The People's Depot) update

- Mark provided an update on GNA discussion with Groundscore, Brooklyn NA, CEID
- Got a document from Groundscore comparing the current People's Depot and proposed location. Also includes description of proposed use of AARC and GLITTER services packages.
- Mark made a motion to put an FAQ that he wrote on the HAND website. Barbara seconded the motion. Michelle made a friendly amendment to add a "draft" watermark to the FAQ. Mark rejected the friendly amendment. Kayla seconded the motion for the amendment. 2 yes; 6 no; 1 abstention. Amendment fails. Vote on original amendment. 6 yes; 2 no. Motion passes.
- Mark made a motion to ask Groundscore about putting the documents they provided on our website. If they agree, we will put them on our website. Andrew seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Activating SE Caruthers - workgroup

- Dead end piece on SE Caruthers between 7th and under Grand overpass - PEMO advocated closing this street and PBOT has approved closing the area. The street will be closed permanently in 6-8 weeks.
- Linda and Peggy participated in a walk with PEMO in this area.
- Avery Berchek is interested in leading a community engagement workgroup. If you're interested in participating, please let Chris know and he will put you in touch with Avery.
- Bill Crawford suggested a [Miyawaki pocket forest](#).

- Mark noted that he is the HAND rep on SE TIFF. They have money that may be available for this project.
- Consider connecting with [City Repair](#) - in the neighborhood
- Other ideas brainstormed last meeting:
 - Basketball, pickle ball, etc.
 - Pop-up markets
 - Food trucks
 - Gathering place
 - Lighting
 - Warehouse does not have eyes on the street which makes it harder for place-making
 - Is there anything that can be done with the lot next to it
 - Large area
 - Joint activity with OMSI and CEID
 - It's easy to come up with expensive plans; what can we do quickly to activate the area that doesn't cost a lot?
 - PBOT Play Streets
 - Hold a planning event - encourage neighborhood participation

Communications

- Website update - Andrew provided an update on web hosting. HAND used to host our website with Fast Comet. Andrew migrated the HAND website over to Name Cheap. 25% of the cost.
- Kayla - recommended setting up a Google Workspace for HAND
- E-newsletter - Kayla recommends using SubStack for an e-newsletter
- Michelle moved that we accept the following proposed communications budget. Andrew seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
 - SE Uplift Communications budget \$1,000
 - Digital communication \$100
 - Domain names and web hosting \$150
 - Signs and print media \$300
 - Movies in the Park \$300
 - Division Clinton Business District street fair \$150
- Andrew created an [Instagram account for HAND](#)
- Andrew shared some outreach materials he developed advertising the May General meeting.

May General Meeting

- Topics: Ross Island, other ideas?
- Tuesday, May 12th @ 7:00

- Michelle will see if we can meet in Carvlin Hall for the General Meeting.

Curb painting

- In Portland, painting curbs, particularly yellow for "daylighting" (safety visibility) or driveway clearance, is regulated by PBOT. Residents can paint their own driveway throats, while PBOT paints yellow curbs near intersections and schools to improve visibility. Unauthorized or improper painting of public curbs is currently prohibited.
- PBOT is looking into changing the policy to allow community members to assist with daylighting intersections by repainting faded painted curbs. If you are interested in this issue, contact Andrew.

Abernethy PTA - Lauren

- Auction - April 18th at 1600 SE Division; on-line auction. All proceeds go to general PTA fund.
- Launching a capital campaign for new playground equipment; includes a mural
- Bike fair and Earth Day celebration - April 25th; free repairs and bike tune-ups; looking for 20" wheel
- Carnival is May 15th from 5:30-8:00; huge event; need lots of volunteers
- Work parties this spring on April 18th and May 9th
- The Abernethy PTA has many opportunities for neighbors to be involved in Abernethy. Please contact Lauren if you're interested in getting involved. The PTA Community Meetings are the 3rd Thursday of every month 6:30-8:00 in Abernethy Auditorium. All are welcome.

Announcements

- Tomorrow City Council is discussing zoning for SE Portland.
- District 3 budget open house
- One last look at Cleveland High School - Friday, April 24th 5:30-7:30
- May 3rd - [Portland City Council Districts 3 and 4 Candidate Forum](#) @ Tabor Space

Public comment

- All attendees are invited to participate in discussions at HAND Board meetings. If you have a general comment to share, just let the chair know and time will be made available for you.
- To join the HAND listserv to receive information about HAND meetings and general announcements, send an email to handannounce+subscribe@googlegroups.com. It is not a high-volume listserv and there are usually only 1-3 announcements per month.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Karen Girard
