

Humboldt Neighborhood Association meeting

Date - Monday March 30, 2026

Location - NECN

Present: Lynne, Jeremy, Joshua, Kyle,

Neighbors - Conner (Boise NA member, but recently moved into Humboldt), Bruce (lived here since 1960s), Jon (called in, here for a year), Jason (3 years in the neighborhood)

CALL TO ORDER

PCC Strike Update (5 minutes)

- 3rd week of striking, soon entering 4th week.
- Signs of coming close to end with college bargaining team
  - Staff want to hold firm against excessive course cancellation to protect students
- Spring term was supposed to start today until next Monday at least
- Questions
  - At least 2 unions involved
    - Classified union was on strike with the FFAP until this past Thursday, when agreement was reached
      - Federation of Faculty and Academic Professionals
  - How can community support you?
    - Link provided in chat
    - Food for picket line is hard (should be easier with only 1 union left picketing)
  - Cascade Campus a couple weeks ago had firetrucks training. Turns out, Portland Fire Department used to have training out of PCC, but those aren't currently advertised or easily available.
    - Current corporate mindset has been cutting classes and programs significantly, so not surprising to hear they have training space and equipment not well utilized
    - There is no current paid advocate to coordinate with outside groups, or even recruit.

ROLL CALL -

6:30pm (20min)

Introductions: Who are you, what's your name, what's your connection to the neighborhood? How long have you lived here and what do you like about it?

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES -

(please review minutes before meeting and note any adjustments or changes)

September - Incorporation meeting on Sept 29, 2025. Discussion of needs for new/restarted Neighborhood association. Bylaws draft to be written based on previous HNA and local neighbor NA bylaws. To present and review for approval in October and seek NECN Legal review. Lewis and Clark College Continuing Partnership introduction by Prof James Proctor. Discussions about possible issues for long term consideration, and teams we could organize to address.

3 + 1, 1 absent

October - Discussion of individual priorities the HNA might take on. Presentation of updated Bylaws, initial version approved by vote. Expectation to adjust in future after completed legal review through NECN. Officer and Team leader elections. Discussion on community involvement and recruitment.

4, 1 absent

January - HNA officially recognized by Portland. Legal feedback received for bylaws. Will take significant work to incorporate, after which we can vote to update. Affordable housing project presentations (SEI at Mississippi/Albina, Mural project at Williams/Alberta). Business website by Joshua. Discussion of funding and budget.

4, 1 absent

February - Know your rights training by DSA. Progress on social media set up. Letters of support for Mural and Jefferson land use hearing reviewed and approved. Black history month, specific importance to Humboldt history. New website, and business map site update.

4, 1 absent

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Jeremy, Technology - new website demo - [humboldtportland.org](http://humboldtportland.org)

- Filling in pictures and other media for style and visuals
- Calendar widget
- Membership, resources, About, Projects, Meetings pages
  - Resources: Greenways for bikes
    - Recommendation to add Councilor (District 2) listing
      - Portland Maps, [Portland.gov](http://Portland.gov) find my councilor
      - 311 (link to be provided to us by ...)
  - Meetings: include Zoom links
- All Board members will provide bios to Jeremy
  - Optional picture as well

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS (IF ANY)

#### NEW BUSINESS

We are considering a new meeting location, will try the Baker Building in April, and looking for other possible spots in the neighborhood. Please let us know what ideas you have.

Idea - North Portland library - would have to move meetings to Tuesday evenings as that is when the library is open until 8.

Alberta Abbey - not ADA accessible

Baker Building

#### Meeting day adjustments:

- To avoid Memorial Day, let's move our May meeting to Monday, May 18
- June/July meetings may need to be Block Party planning meetings or set separate Block Party planning meetings
- August - need to move August meeting because of Lynne conflicts - move to earlier in August?

#### Parking enforcement - [here is the link to report abandoned/unregistered vehicles](https://www.portland.gov/code/16/20/170)

- Currently no rules or legal enforcement for neighbors owning and parking multiple cars on the street. Cars do need to be moved to a different block face every 24 hours (<https://www.portland.gov/code/16/20/170>)
  - From HNA, we don't have a legal enforcement arm. But parking is going to be an increasing issue as more housing is being built
  - Boise, Elliot, Humboldt (and more of District 2) did a parking/traffic study, data presented to PBOT. But PBOT hasn't presented to Council yet
    - Boise sent a letter with Elliot
      - Humboldt could also co-sign a letter
        - 4 in favor, will follow up with Connor's contact with Elliot
      - Killingsworth and Albina, near Solabee
        - Michigan and Albina, North Killingsworth Ct and
    - Question on Portland City Council not requiring parking spaces with new housing construction
  - Call non-emergency and report to Parking Enforcement at 503-823-3333.

7:15pm (30 minutes)

Visit from Councilor Dan Ryan -

Serving since 2020, used to be 5 member council, now it's 12

Here with Will from his staff

Larger council allows more contact with each Neighborhood

Previously, as City Commissioner would just get one bureau assignment to manage for long stretches.

Losing services, that is unacceptable. Which services?

Basics need to be protected. First responders should get paid to do work on the ground: includes PBOT.

Fewer planners, more doers on the ground

Bureaus should do more directly rather than just providing money to non-profits

Audit on Arts Education Fund - should have been audit on RACC.

Too many stores closing their storefronts, the owners cite public safety.

Public Safety

City and County both have public safety responsibilities. City owns first response, County receives those "caught"

Job loss of public defenders

Council trying to fix the culture of governance

Councilor Ryan will share what he's been working on for about 15 minutes, and answer questions for about 15 minutes.

Councilor Ryan asked us to share one top concern each:

Lynne - Home Forward & Dawson Park apartments. Home Forward isn't managing well or safety

Jeremy - Public safety in general, survived 2 driveby shootings in the past 2 years. Dawson Park is an active market for drugs. Police are requested but do not respond.

Councilor Ryan advocates for truth and "tough love"

Measure 110 revamped

Ryan wants Chair Avalos to set a [Housing and Permitting committee](#) meeting on Home Forward accountability.

Kyle - Housing our houseless neighbors. Had a friend living out of his car for over two years before he was able to get into housing.

Joshua - (raised in N/NE Portland in 80s/90s). Dawson Park was similar issues then. Major concern is affordability. For anyone without a home since 2012, very hard to get into a home.

Also hard for renters

Connor - Lack of availability of services for the homeless. People aren't just turning down services. Could only afford a home because of "no parking minimums". Alternative housing strategies enabled him to buy a home at all.  
Bruce - Lifelong in Portland, bought home in 76. Has taken in homeless people in the past in his home since 2024, with some violence against his guests. Multnomah County court system have released offenders back into the community. Dislikes sanctuary status, and City Mayor and Chief of Police Mark - representative of Albina Studios (Solabee, Baker City Ballroom). Wants to be involved with HNA. Owns businesses in the neighborhood, offered to host meetings.

Jon - Wants to live in walkable, bikeable, public transport city/neighborhood. Opposed to proposed legislation (wants instead legislation to get revenue for PBOT from drivers, like congestion pricing, etc)

Councilor - need to get ridership up, safety concerns do scare off folks who would otherwise be riders. This involves outreach workers, SHS funding for those outreach workers to continue making successful contact with homeless folks as they often rely on the public transit as Day shelters. Councilor Ryan points out the MAX functions as the largest day shelter in Portland and he thinks some SHS funding should be directed to outreach workers meeting people on the train.

Jason - Parking issues - one neighbor parking 20+ cars on the streets surrounding his house.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS/upcoming events

- Save the Date - Block Party Saturday August 1
- Portland Street Response presentation and discussion, Albina Library Wednesday April 1
- Ethos fundraiser at Polaris Hall Thursday April 16 - [Born in the 90s and still rocking! Tickets here.](#)

ADJOURNED