



PALISADES NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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August 14, 2025 via Zoom

Meeting Minutes - FINAL and APPROVED

Note: The video recording of this meeting will serve as the complete meeting minutes. It is posted on the Palisades Neighborhood Association's YouTube channel [here](#).

1. MEETING START: 7:00PM - ROLL CALL

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Present</u>		<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Present</u>
Chair	Chris Durkee	Yes		6	Open	
5 - Vice Chair	Carrie Love	Yes		7	Cyrus Lee	No
1 - Treasurer	Jon Thies	Yes		8	Nancy Sage	No
Secretary	Open			9	Meg Wilkinson	Yes
Former Chair	Frederique Lavios	No		10	Brice Secord	No
2	Charles Buck	Yes		11	Rob Heape	No
3	Elisa Williams	Yes		12	David Westerdahl	Yes
4	Jenny Cherrytree	Yes		13	Open	

1. QUORUM: Achieved - 8 of 13 board members attended.
2. NAMES OF NON-BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE
 - Betsy Wosko, Old Town NA, LO Sustainability Council
 - Ken Allen, Hazelia Living Developer

- Ben Adams, Annelie Adams
- Gail Parrick

3. MOTIONS

- APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Motion to approve the **July 10, 2025** meeting minutes: Chris Durkee made the motion. Carrie Love seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

- The city's goal of reducing the speed limit on neighborhood streets to 20 mph was discussed. Current map shows all streets in Palisades **except**: South Shore Blvd, Greentree Rd, Fernwood Dr, Westview Dr, Overlook Dr, Tree Top Ln, Bergis Rd, Stafford Rd, and Royce Way will have the speed limit reduced to 20 mph. After discussion, Chris made a motion to affirm that PNA's position is in support of this program, with the condition that priority be placed on streets without sidewalks. Jenny Cherrytree seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

4. ACTION ITEMS

- Board members are encouraged to watch for PNA postings on Nextdoor, "like" them, and reply to them, to encourage the Nextdoor algorithm to move our postings up in priority.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- Betsy Wosko, LO Sustainability Council and Old Town NA Secretary gave a presentation on the benefits of eliminating gas powered landscape equipment, and the city's program to ban this equipment.

6. Chair report

- Open positions: Areas 6 and 13 Representatives, Treasurer understudy
- Guest speaker selection criteria is now on PNA website
- At September's board meeting we'll host LOSD for a bond measure update
- Backyard Habitat will be invited to speak at our October board meeting (note - Backyard Habitat has confirmed they'll present to us at the Oct. bd. Mtg).
- South Shore FS update - polling results are encouraging, but show a need to better inform the community.
- Hazelia Living - Ken Allen gave a brief update on the issue of cottage porches - city planning is stating that porches must be included in building and footprint area, Ken & design team are interpreting city and state model code that porches are excluded. Our code limits the size of middle housing cottages to a 900 sf footprint and 1200 sf average for the 8 cottages in a cluster. Including a relatively large porch of 200 sf +/- in the cottage's footprint and area means the enclosed area of the cottage is reduced by the porch's area. A smaller enclosed home means that the fixed costs of development (land, roads, utilities, open space, common areas, etc.) are spread out over fewer square feet of home, thus making the homes less affordable on a cost/sf basis. Ken's intent is to provide cottages with porches that encourage a sense of community, and at the same time meet the market's need for larger homes than 1000 sf +/- PNA may want to voice support for the design team's interpretation in the future.

7. Vice Chair report

- PNA's postcard mailing (one of our two mailings paid for by city) regarding National Night Out and encouraging subscriptions was very successful - 44 new subscribers resulted.
- Signs, word of mouth, web searches, added another 22 subscribers between May 1 and August 14.
- Total subscribers: 948, very high open rate
- Website traffic very strong, great URL recognition, 6,101 clicks July 11 to Aug 14.

8. Treasurer report:

- Home Street Bank account balance of \$341.39.
- Chris and Jon were approved by Home Street Bank as signatories for the savings account.
- PNA reached the maximum of \$1000 in city reimbursements last fiscal year (ended 7/21), and is now collecting expenses for submission to the city in current f/y.

9. Committee Reports

- Parks Committee Report (Chris for Nancy Sage)
 - Rassekh play area is on track for early Oct.
 - Luscher application to the county is nearly complete.
 - Ivan Vanderholm resigned as Director of P&R, Jeff Munro is interim director
- National Night Out (Chris for Frederique)
 - 8 NNO parties in Palisades, 51 parties in LO
- Traffic Committee Report (Chris for Rob Heape)
 - Stafford will re-open on Oct. 1
- Emergency Preparedness, Recovery, and Response Committee Report (David Westerdahl)
 - September 18 - Emergency Preparedness Fair in downtown Lake Oswego
- E-Newsletter Committee Report (Carrie Love)
 - See above
- Social Media / Community Health and Resiliency (Elisa Williams)
 - Nextdoor - Elisa changed our name to “Palisades Neighborhood Lake Oswego” to make it easier to find, two new posts - NNO and link to newsletter.
 - Board members are encouraged to follow our site on Nextdoor, “like” posts, and comment on posts to increase our visibility.
 - Community Health & Resiliency Advisory Board meetings now underway.
- Land Use Committee Report (Meg Wilkinson)
 - Ben and Annelie Adams brought forth updates regarding the cell tower installation issue.
 - Adams’ met with LOSD supt, LOSD is going to commission an RF reading on the new antenna, tower is not on yet (could be turned on any day).
 - Adams’ are asking LOSD to move antenna or buyout the lease.
 - Chris suggested that LOSD’s motivation to resolve this issue is highest prior to the Nov. election when their bond is on the ballot, and encouraged Annelie to coordinate with Jenny Cherrytree regarding pushing LOSD toward resolution.
 - Annelie suggested that perhaps some bond funds could be allocated to moving the antenna to left field, away from residences.

These meeting minutes were approved on *September 11[date]* by the Board members at the meeting.

ADJOURN: 8:07

Submitted by acting secretary: Chris Durkee