

June 13, 2013

General Assembly Notes

Location: City Hall Vigil (Terry Schruck Plaza preoccupied)

Note taker: Daniel Hong

Proposals

Facebook Groups by Alexander

- Monopoly of administrative control on Occupy Portland “Group” Page
- Shawn Fleek and pro-fluoride controversy
- Two options: (1) Rotate admin positions every six months; vehemently rejected by many the monopoly multiple times? -OR- (2) Easy-to-read disclaimer on Main Site?
- Consensus reached for (2) disclaimer
- Dan Keller will be contacted for the update

Anti-Walmart by Robert

- Occupy Portland to always endorse all anti-Walmart actions in SW Portland and Tigard?
- People “2nd”, “3rd” that
- Consensus reached for endorsement

Occupy Mt. Tabor by Alexander

- Background: EPA mandates state that all city reservoirs must have covering systems in place; EPA allows for waivers to be filed annually; City of Portland has been filing waivers for many years; in 2013, City of Portland makes excuses to not apply for waivers but instead build a new system to hire corporations to build covers
- Unnecessary government spending; corporate collusion/pay-offs
- Scott Fernandez, biologist and chemist, is an ardent critic of the plan
- Occupy Portland stands united on July 15th?
- Consensus reached for solidarity

Announcements

Make GA known by Michael

- Always looking for materials to build tall signs during every outdoor GA for outreach/easy access
- Economic Justice Action Group (First Unitarian Church) buying \$125 banner...
- Anyone who can pay for materials to build a sign can

Arrests at Vigil by Hassey

- Two women arrested in front of City Hall steps today
- Michelle and Joanna, vigilantes that usually reside on the other side of the building, were escorted off by police for lying down, chanting and singing
- Also, 3 tents up across street this morning

More Vigil by Roderick

- We must reorganize! More balance, a cleaner impression
- We must be involved!
- Possible pitch to the City - issue camping licenses to homeless?

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