

NORTHWEST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MINUTES

January 20, 2011

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Victor Frazier at 7:04

Victor started by giving the facts about the NWNAs boundaries, with the information of us having 23,000 people, and 11,000 housing units. The NW neighborhood is one of 27 neighborhoods in the city of Spokane. Victor introduced the Board members of the NWNA starting with himself for Chair; Chris Wright-Vice Chair; Clark Moss-Treasurer; Diana Frazier-Secretary & Membership; Jeff Stevens-Park & Rec.; Ann Warrington-Traffic/Safety; Fran Papenleur-Community Assembly

Also attending the meeting tonight: Parks Board President-Ross Kelley; ONS-Rod Minarik; COPs NRO-Paul Taylor; County Commissioner-Vicki Horton; Former candidate-Save Salvatori; Firemen from Station 16.

Announcements: The NWNA received notice of Land Use Zoning Change for 5025 W. 9 mile Road from neighborhood retail to commercial. All comments must be received by March 16th to the City Planner. Kaye Straight suggested we have Mr. Douglas (person requesting change), come speak at our February meeting. Meet and Eat at Northern Lights on Wed. Feb 2nd with Anne Kirkpatrick. Rod mentioned this may have been changed to take place on February 16th.

Secretary Report: Diana went over the minutes from November's meeting as handouts were available. Motion to accept the minutes by Kaye Straight, second by Dick Carson.

Minutes approve unanimously by membership.

Treasurer Report November 30, 2010 ~Checking	6,323.83
	Credits (+) 3.00 (Donations)
	Debts (-) 421.00 (NWNA Insurance)
December 31, 2010 ~ Balance	5,905.83
	CDs 3014.22
Total Balance	\$ 8,920.05

Membership: Membership & Nominations: As of the January General Meeting the NWNA has 47 voting members removing 4 after the November meeting. We will be seeking volunteers for nominations on the Board. Victor as Chair will term out as well as Diana as Secretary.

Community Assembly: Fran was informed that due to the lack of funds, Junk Vehicle complaints are not a priority unless they are a fire hazard. All Community Assembly meetings are open to the public and encouraged for citizens to attend to see the process. See the web-site (www.spokanecity.org) for dates and times of meetings. Saturday, February 12th, Neighborhood Leadership Training. February 2nd, Clean Up Orientation.

Parks/Rec.: The Park Watch is quiet at this time since the parks are not used very frequently in the winter months. Jeff will be available after the meeting for anyone that would like to be added to the Park Watch list.

Traffic/Safety: The NW Neighborhood will get a chance to have the traffic calming sign in rotation with other neighborhoods in District 3.

COPs: Juveniles have been breaking windows in the 3300 block of Broad. REPORT ANYTHING YOU SEE at any time

Flying Goat situation: Victor opened the discussion with a statement of facts that he has learned about the situation.

1. The Flying Goat desires to be a positive influence on the neighborhood.

2. The property has been zoned commercial for a long time.

3. The Flying Goat complied, with all code and commercial zoning requirements in opening its business.

The Board, neighbors and owners met. After discussion by all parties, the Board was given 3 suggestions:

1. Residence & Guest parking by permit only after 5:00 on "F" street and Gordon

2. Street closure of "F" and Gordon where they connect with Northwest Boulevard

3. Restoring parking on Northwest Blvd. to create more parking to include sharrow bike lanes if possible

It was stated that this situation has gone to the city a number of times and they ultimately ended up telling everyone to go to their Neighborhood Association to try to solve this situation. *The board came to the conclusion of the following: To restore parking on Northwest boulevard on both sides of the street from Audubon to G streets to include Sharrow bike lanes if possible.* After discussion the motion had unanimous support by all board members present on January 13, 2011. This is an inexpensive plan that could take course.

The floor was open for discussion. Everyone had a chance to talk and discuss this situation. With the discussion of changing the striping on Northwest Blvd. it was decided the NWNA needs to have the city do measurements and have some drawings to see if this could be a possibility. There were concerns with complying with the Comprehensive Plan and the Comprehensive bike plan. Kaye Straight made the motion to table this until the February meeting to get more information and facts from the city. Eric Armstrong second the motion. It was put to a vote of membership 15-4 in favor of the motion. Rod Minarik admitted this is a city wide issue.

Next General Meeting is February 17, 2011 at Browne Elementary, 7:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned 8:25

Diana Frazier

Secretary ~ Northwest Neighborhood Association