

**NORTHWEST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

February 11, 2010

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Meeting called to order at 7:05

Announcements: Lt. Todd Chisholm from Fire Station #16 at Albi was introduced. Also Kevin Hoffman who talked about the number of calls their station receives on incidents in the NRNA (Cochran-West-7mile Rd.). He also introduced CARES, to call 211.

*Victor announced we are looking for another Calling Committee volunteer to make calls once a month to remind members of our monthly NRNA meeting.

Secretary Report: January minutes reviewed. The motion was to accept and second. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Report: Chris reported are as follows:

January 31, 2010 ~	Checking	\$6,020.09
	Credits (+)	20.65 (Donations)
	Debts (-)	0.00
January 31, 2010 ~	Balance	6,046.74
	CD	<u>1,511.19</u>
	Total Balance	\$7,557.93

The Board voted to purchase a 2nd CD for \$2000 for 6 months.

Membership: As of the January General Meeting, we have 46 members, dropping 4 gaining 2. A quorum will be 14 members.

Nominations: Chair Victor willing to do one more year; V Chair Ivan stepping down, Chris Wright willing to take place; Treasurer Chris Wright terms out, Clark Moss willing to take place; Diana would **appreciate** someone to take over as Secretary; Dump Pass, Chris stepping down, Bob Turner to take place. Community Assembly, Larry stepping down to have surgery, we need replacement. We would like a NRNA member to be on the S. Indian Trail Stakeholder committee so we are intone with what is going on there. 25 acres will be available in 2 years for development.

Concerts: The Spokane Youth Symphony will do our last concert of the 2010 season on August 26th. From there we will be arranging the concerts every 2 weeks prior to this date. We will be moving all concerts to the time of 6:00-8:00 p.m. due to having them a couple weeks later and the sun setting earlier then.

Community Assembly: This will be the last report Larry will make from C.A. as he is stepping down and also having knee surgery. Larry said it was a great experience being involved & attending C.A. the first Friday of each month. He will miss Rosalie French's brownies.

*Youth Chase-get involved with youth programs and how the city looks at youth.

*Leadership Training February 27th. Call Sandy (ONS) for details 625-6730

*Earth Day is April 17th. Events will take place on Main & Browne Street from 11-7

*Building Stringer Neighborhoods-February 22nd, 11:30 @ Molly's Restaurant

*Pet Committee Walk-ability is being formed. Audit walk ways for walking your pets. A survey is on line at spokaneparks.org

*The N. side Landfill still has parts still active – When Geiger is shut down, waste is still delivered to the landfill – The landfill also receives construction materials daily

*Kendall Yards-N. bank of river construction is downscaled development to prior plans.

*Victor thanked Larry for his dedication to be our representative at Community Assembly
Housekeeping details: Victor introduced City Councilman Steve Corker; Nancy McLaughlin had a conflicting meeting so was unable to attend tonight. County Prosecutor Candidate Dave Stevens

Vice Chair/Web Master: Ivan informed us that the web-site (nwspokane.org) now has a forum to log in and express feelings or concerns.

Parks & Rec: Update-Albi/Merkle Complex will open August 2010. One issue still being worked out is the easement between the complex and cemetery. The City is negotiating this. The bike path is in progress. The complex is being incorporated as a “City Park” which is in our favor because it is one more park in our neighborhood.

*February 17th, was the Parks Services meeting. It was a good meeting to give input.

*Jeff will have the first Neighborhood Park Watch Committee meeting a week from today, February 25th, at 7:00, COPS Shop. He is asking the volunteers to bring concerns/wants/needs and project ideas to the meeting. The parks in our neighborhood are Loma Vista, Westgate, Audubon, Shadle and Albi. Buster will be bringing Crime Watch Reports of the park areas. A sign up board is on the table for those who want to be involved.

Traffic/Safety: The Board met on February 11th with 6 in attendance. A vote around the table came to 4-2 in favor of the bike lanes to be striped on Assembly Street. 2 Board members not in attendance voted in favor of the bike lanes via e-mail. On February 12th, Victor received word from Mike Taylor that it was decided to stripe Assembly Street with the bike lanes to follow the Comprehensive Plan that the City has. Steve Corker encouraged all let their City officials know how they would like the street striped, with bike lanes, removing parking, or keeping the parking/no bike lanes. During the discussion on transportation and safety issues, it was moved by Kaye Straight that the Northwest Neighborhood vote in support of the Comprehensive Plan, the Master Bicycle Plan, and in the proposed striping of Assembly street supporting bicycle lanes there. Motion was second by Chris Wright. After much discussion, the vote passed 14 -13. . John Edwards pointed out to the minutes from the January meeting we were to hold a vote on the two plans that were presented. After long discussion, pro and con on having bike lanes, a call for the question was made. After that vote a straw pole was taken on the two stripping plans proposed at the last meeting in January. Option one which kept parking on Assembly received 28 votes in favor of it. Option two which has the bicycle lanes had 15 votes in favor of it. It should be noted that both councilmen Corker and Shogan were at the meeting and abstained on their votes as the matter could come before them on City Council.

Next General Meeting: March 18, 2010 @ Browne Elementary School-7:00 Leroy Eadie, Parks Department Director will be our guest speaker.

New Business: Kaye straight informed us of the re-paving and reconstruction of N.W. Blvd.- Ash to Wellesley. The design will make the lights at the intersection of Cochran/Northwest Blvd/T. J. Meenach. and Alberta St./Northwest Blvd. more affective in a timely manner by removing Fairview as part of the intersection. Also if funds are available, Wellesley to Driscoll will be re-paved.

Meeting Adjourned 8:50

Diana Frazier

Secretary, NWA