

**NORTHWEST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION  
GENERAL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 20, 2008**

**Approval of October's minutes** – no minutes to approve.

**Treasurer Report:** Chris reported the following amounts as of October 31, 2008:  
Checking Balance \$2,002.95 Certificate of Deposits: 5,259.16  
**Total Assets: \$7,262.11**

**Membership Report:** Total Members from our last meeting is 62; one voting member was removed due to attendance requirement and one person was added as a new voting member.  
\*The Calling Committee asked the people they called if they prefer to be removed from the monthly calling list. We are also looking for more volunteers to make calls.

**Vice Chair:** Victor reported the following:

\*STA is taking public comment on the Plaza or relocation of STA center to the Intermodal Transportation Center on November 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m. at City Hall Council Chambers.

\*West Central Community Center is looking for board members. WCCC is a 501c(3) serving West Central, Emerson Garfield, and Northwest Spokane neighborhoods.

**Envision Spokane Speaker:** Kai Huschke spoke to the membership about Envision Spokane. This is a group to make changes in Spokane by creating a Bill of Rights to be added to the City Charter. Town Hall meetings will be held on January 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> in the Northwest Neighborhood Area. The price tag on what it will cost Spokane is not evaluated yet. Envision Spokane is a Non-Profit, but not a 501c(3).

**By-Laws:** Chris handed out copies of by-laws with the changes (Section 12/F, Section 9/B/4, and term limits) with input from the Board and Membership from October's meeting. Unfortunately, we did not have a quorum to vote. This will be brought back to the General Meeting in January.

**Concerts:** It was announced that the Board had decided to cancel the plans to have a concert for NUSA (Neighborhoods, USA). The Concert dates for 2009 will be July 9<sup>th</sup>, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, August 6<sup>th</sup> and a fourth concert on August 20<sup>th</sup> with the Junior Youth Symphony performing. All other bands will be announced at future dates.

**NUSA:** Victor filled out and will turn in the application for a bus tour through our neighborhood on the Friday of NUSA with the approval of the Board. A dinner is to be supplied at the end of the tour. Victor suggested having the dinner at West Central Community Center. Again the Board chose not to have the concert planned for Saturday and do the tour through the neighborhood instead. After the tour/dinner there will be entertainment downtown (TBA). NUSA is being held on May 20-23rd.

**Community Assembly:** Larry Reported the following:

\*Impact fees will not take affect until October 2009, starting with a phase in. It seems like the hold up is the City says it need a 'base line traffic study' for a comparison. This was passed by City Council.

\*Community Assembly Retreat being held on November 22, 8:30-3:00 at Faith Bible Church.

\*A Global Warming Task Force has been implemented. Larry will keep us up to date on this.

**Announcements:**

\*Master Bike Plan Open House is on November 18, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Salem Lutheran Church.

\*Neighborhood Recognition Award Banquet, 4:00 at City Hall. Potluck will follow at 5:30.

\*Graffiti Ordinance – This was drawn up by attorneys which does not define “Graffiti” and is questioned on designs done on private property vs. tagging. There are resources to those who have graffiti done on their property; Cop Shop, Recycle Center.

\*A Pilot project to upgrade buildings and residences through Avista offers rebates for upgrades in insulation and thermal windows.

**N.W. Cops:**

\*It was mentioned that the lack of accurate advertising for Dump Passes left some dump passes left over. These were given to the Neighborhood at the last minute, so 2009 dump passes will be announced as soon as possible for all Northwest Neighborhood people.

\*Our Neighborhood Resource Officer (NRO), Paul Taylor, is on duty from 4:00-10:00 p.m.

\*Crime Check is now in affect (456-2233).

**Albi Complex:** There was a public meeting last Thursday on the BMX Track. There was a good turn out. A developer and Designer is on the Board. There were requests for lights, dirt, not grass, to the committee.

Merkle Field is now closed down. Destruction will start around December 1<sup>st</sup>. Construction should start in the spring.

**Shadle Pool:** The pool hole is dug and under construction. For updates check the web site: [poolsandplay.com](http://poolsandplay.com)

**City Council President:** Joe Shogan confirmed the Impact fee passed City Council and is contingent on the Traffic study. Should take affect as early as October 1, 2009.

The Pan Handling ban will be voted on Monday.

The Council will be working on passing the City Budget December 8-18<sup>th</sup>.

No Meeting will be held in December. Happy Holidays!

Meeting Adjourned 8:18

Respectfully,  
Diana Frazier