

City of Beaverton
Neighborhood Association Committee Meeting Minutes

NAC: Denney Whitford / Raleigh West

Date: June 23, 2011

Board members present:

- Chair: Ernie Conway
 Vice Chair: Andrew Bynum
 BCCI Rep: *vacant*

- Treasurer: Martha Schaufler
 Recorder: Tracy Thornton

Quorum present? Yes No

Meeting start time: 7:00 pm

Community Policing Report: Officer Corning handed out property crime statistics for May. The next car seat clinics are July 9th and 23rd at 9:00 am at City Hall. There is a shredding event this coming Saturday at Tektronix. The department has four new officers starting in July, with 3-4 additional officers starting before the end of the summer. BPD is in the process of using BTA grant funds to monitor pedestrian safety at certain busy intersections in the city. BPD has an optional new uniform that allows officers to carry many items on a vest instead of on their belts. New patrol cars will be rolled out soon; they will be Chargers instead of Crown Victorias. Our own Officer Corning designed the look of the new cars. This summer, a 5-10 minute video will be on the department's website that illustrates the space needs study that was conducted to show why they need a new facility.

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Report: No report.

Guest Speakers:

Erin Hickey from the City of Beaverton presented information about the many upcoming events this summer, including Ten Tiny Dances, Beaverton International Celebration in cooperation with THPRD, and the new plans for Beaverton Celebration Day on August 27. This new day includes a fun run organized by our own Ernie Conway, the parade, a festival in Old Town, and Bike Beaverton, all on the same day. Participants will be able to park at the Westgate site and take shuttles to the festivities, and there will be police on hand to help with safe crossing of Farmington so that people can visit the Farmer's Market and booths throughout the area. Our Picnic in the Park is on August 3rd in Camille Park.

Ken Rencher, city of Beaverton planner, gave an informative presentation about the Urban Renewal process. The issue will be on the ballot in November, and his office is working to get information out to people so that they understand what the ballot issue is about. If the Urban Renewal District (URD) passes in November, it will be overseen by the planning department and a citizen advisory group. The URD is approximately 1000 acres that includes mostly commercial / industrial but also some residential areas. About 48% of the total money for the URD is slated to go toward infrastructure and transportation improvements; 33% is for joint investment programs that encourage private development. The goal of the URD is to stop the downward trend in property values in the areas within the district and to bring jobs into the area. The state places strict requirements on what an URD can do. Beaverton is being very

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conservative and only asking to use about half of the expected incremental tax revenue that will fund the project. Because the URD takes away increases from other areas, Beaverton has gone to those other groups and received their support. In the future, there will be many public hearings about the URD. A City Council meeting in July will take up the issue. Throughout the summer, City staff will be at many public events to gather comments and help people understand what the URD is trying to accomplish.

Penny and Russell Okamoto talked about their new free service called Celly. The service allows for group communication through texting with a cell phone. The phone numbers of those using the service are kept private, and the information is encrypted. The service can be used for a one-time event or forever. One potential use could be a Neighborhood Watch; if all your neighbors signed up, then any suspicious activity could be reported to everyone through Celly. Celly allows for real-time group communication, which can be moderated or not depending on your needs. For more information, see their website: <http://cel.ly>.

Ryan Smith and Samuel Hall are in the early stages of acquiring permits for their new business, Royal Felt, which is a social gaming establishment to be located at 10205 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway, across from Bi-Mart. They will be seeking a conditional use permit to stay open until 2:00 am. They hope to be opening in August or September. They will serve food and non-alcoholic drinks; they may serve beer and wine at a later date. Their customers will pay to play poker, and they expect to have poker tournaments as well. They will need to have a neighborhood meeting and send notices to anyone living within 500 feet of their business in order to get a conditional use permit, and they will revisit the NAC as well (probably in September).

Neighborhood Issues / Concerns: None

New business & announcements:

We have changed our bank account to Rivermark Credit Union.

Old business:

Minutes from the May meeting were not voted on as a quorum was not present. The April minutes have also not yet been approved for the same reason.

Other issues: None

Meeting end time: 8:45 pm