

City of Beaverton
Neighborhood Association Committee Meeting Minutes

NAC: Denney Whitford / Raleigh West

Date: June 28, 2012

Board members present:

Chair: Ernie Conway
 Vice Chair: Andrew Bynum
 BCCI Rep: Ray Bowman

Treasurer: Martha Schauffler
 Recorder: Tracy Thornton

Quorum present? Yes No

Meeting start time: 7:03 pm.

Community Policing Report: Officer Henderson of the Neighborhood Response Team gave the report. He brought crime stats from March 2012. The disorderly conduct numbers were higher than normal, but that may have been due to Spring Break and probably involved a group of people at one incident.

For July 4th, eight additional officers will be on the street specifically responding to firework related calls. Fireworks are illegal if they shoot more than 12 inches off the ground or move more than six feet. This year there's a no tolerance policy; the Police have been ordered to seize the fireworks rather than just giving warnings. However, DUIs and drunk driving calls are a higher priority. The department currently has a grant that allows for officers to patrol on Friday and Saturday nights to focus on this issue. They're now seeing more people driving under the influence of narcotics like heroin, oxycodone, etc., and less of an issue with alcohol. Heroin has become a problem as (younger) people have transitioned from prescription drugs to heroin, which is much cheaper.

Question: I'm concerned about food safety at restaurants.

Answer: The department of Health and Human Services through the County is responsible for this. You can call them or send an anonymous tip. If you call the police and they can refer you to the correct agency.

Q: Ernie mentioned that his bike was stolen yesterday.

A: 90% of the crime is done by 1% of the people. Take pictures of your items and keep your serial numbers so that if you are a victim of a crime you have the right information to give to the police.

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Report: No report.

BCCI Report: No report, as BCCI Rep Ray Bowman was not able to attend the meeting.

New Business:

Ernie spoke to the Uptown Market beer brewing business on Scholls about the possibility of putting a mural on their building. They are in a lease-to-own arrangement and expect to own

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the building in about a year. They have considered adding a mural, but they want to wait until they own the building. However, they plan to put a deck/patio and fence in the back and eventually hope to grow their own hops around the patio. They suggested we wait until they have their plans are more finalized before pursuing the mural idea. Another idea is to talk to Plaid Pantry on Scholls Ferry Road and Allen Blvd., about the wall that faces Scholls. The Beaverton Arts Commission has a grant program for murals, and we could use the NAC matching grant program.

Q: Could we have students do the mural?

A (from Chuck Wilson): There's a mural in Beaverton that was done by students under the supervision of a professional artist. We could do something similar.

For the September meeting, we will accept nominations for officers for the NAC board elections in October. We also hope to invite a representative (such as the store manager) from Walmart to visit the meeting, since our experience working with them through the CUP process was less than ideal. This would give Walmart a chance to tell us about their new "market" store.

There are many events going on this summer:

- Beaverton Downtown Association First Friday—Friday, July 6 (and every first Friday)
- THPRD Concerts in the Park/Theater in the Park (see www.THPRD.com). All events are 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The next concert is Thursday, July 5, Garden Home Park (NOT the Rec Center), and the next theater event is Saturday, July 14, Center Street Park.
- South Office Building at the Round Open House – Thursday, July 12, 6:00-7:30 pm
- Picnic in the Park (hosted in our NAC) – Camille Park; Friday, July 13, 2012 at 6:00 pm; food this year will be Qdoba burritos and pizza from Garlic Jim's
- Flicks by the Fountain – starts on Friday, August 3, in Beaverton City Park
- National Night Out – Tuesday, August 7, 6:00-8:00 pm, City Park Fountain
- THPRD Big Truck Day—Saturday, August 11, 10 am to 2 pm, Conestoga Rec Center
- THPRD 100th Anniversary—Sunday, August 26, Noon to 4 pm, Jenkins Estate. (Is it really 100 years? That doesn't sound right, so we'll investigate. Is it the anniversary of Jenkins Estate instead?)
- The Beaverton Celebration Parade is Saturday, September 8. The parade is run by the City, but they contract it out; there will be a new planning group this year. The parade will not cross Farmington this year, as this creates major traffic problems on Canyon. Instead, they'll wind down past the library on 5th and end at Griffith Park. There will not be a downtown festival this year.
 - Question: Will there be any focus on Oregon Food Bank this year?
 - Answer: Unknown. Erin Hickey at the City would know.
- There is a Fun Run before the parade again this year, promoted by Ernie; it will start and end in Griffith Park. It is a fundraiser for the Beaverton Family Resource Center. The Bike Beaverton family ride is on Sunday, September 9th, in the afternoon. It will not be on the same day as the parade this year. Celebration "Day" has become Celebration "Weekend" instead. There may be a few more events that happen on Sunday.

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Regarding the South Building at the Round: There's a chance that City Hall will relocate there. The Police Department will not. They can't stay where they are, but they (and the Courts) cannot move into the South Office building because it doesn't meet the seismic standards for a public safety office.

Suggestion from Phil Kane: Western Ave. and 5th has a warehouse that has been unoccupied for many years. It's looking terrible. What's the possibility of the City taking it under eminent domain, tearing it down, and putting the new public safety facility there?

Discussion: There would be school buses going by there during the day. The building is not in the Urban Renewal district, so any updates would not be part of that project. It's possible someone has looked into it and discovered it didn't work, but we're not aware of that.

Ernie will contact the City and see what the potential is for the property; at the very least, can the property be cleaned up?

Old business:

The May meeting minutes could not be accepted as we did not have a quorum.

Treasurer's report: None, as Treasurer Martha Schauffler was not able to attend the meeting.

Ernie still plans to talk to City Council about the CUP process, and how NAC input does (or does not) fit into that process; what's the point of having CUP requests go before the NACs if the Planning Commission doesn't take the NAC's opinion into account? The NAC leadership will go through training in the fall to discuss the land use process and CUPs, and how that fits in with BCCI and the Planning Commission.

The next NAC meeting is Thursday, September 27.

Meeting end time: 8:07 pm