

City of Beaverton
Neighborhood Association Committee Meeting Minutes

NAC: Denney Whitford / Raleigh West

Date: Jun. 25, 2015

Board members present:

- Chair: Ernie Conway
- Vice Chair: Sherry Moore
- BCCI Rep: Michelle Lupo

- Treasurer: Martha Schaffler
- Recorder: Tracy Thornton

Quorum present? Yes No

Meeting start time: 7:00 pm

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Report (Station 53): Because we met in station 65, we had a report from that station. They reminded us that there is a burn ban in effect because of the hot weather, and we should use extra caution (as always) with fireworks this year.

Beaverton Police Department Report: Officer Corning noted that citizens should report any dangerous activity related to illegal fireworks (which is basically anything that flies off the ground).

Ernie asked whether there was any known scam related to Nissan pickup trucks. Officer Corning was not aware of any, but suggested we call him the next time this comes up.

Michelle asked about people posing as City employees who are trespassing. Officer Corning explained that this is happening in Portland, but hasn't happened in Beaverton yet. If someone unknown to you wants to come into your house, always ask for credentials.

Someone claiming to be a sheriff has been calling people and claiming there's a warrant for arrest, and then sending people to a PayPal account to pay fees to avoid being taken to jail. This is a scam; no one will ever ask you to pay via a PayPal account, nor will they call you about a warrant.

Leonard asked whether the legalization of marijuana will raise insurance rates. Officer Corning didn't know. He reminded us that according to the new law (which goes into effect July 1) you can't use marijuana in public; possession if you're under the age of 18 is a big deal; possession of more than 2 ounces is still a crime. The period right after legalization should be interesting, and there may be a lot of first time users who don't know how they will react to it. The police will issue DUIs to people driving after smoking marijuana.

Treasurer's Report: Martha gave her report by phone to Tracy, who presented it at the meeting. Our balance as of May 31 is \$4,477.24.

BCCI Report: Michelle reported that the Farmers Market booth has brought in \$150 in checks. She doesn't know what the fee is to have the booth per year. But she has some other groups lined up to host. We have a date on August 22nd. We don't have to pay for our date. If we can get donations for cases of water (or soda), we can start stockpiling them for the rest of the summer, which will be a money-maker as well.

July 11th is still an open day. Michelle will send out an e-mail soon; she expects the date to be filled shortly.

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The Visioning Advisory committee has a survey at bcvsurvey.org. They want to know what you want to see happen, what needs to be improved upon. It's part of the same mission they have been working on for a while.

Franchise fees have increased, creating a change in utility billing for PGE and NW Natural. Michelle says that she definitely noticed the increase on her own bill.

Peter Arellano stepped down as head of Public Works last fall. David Donaldson has been hired to replace him. There was an article in the newspaper about him.

A food cart ordinance is coming before City Council on August 11th, so go to the meeting if you have any feedback for them. It will be around Allen Blvd, similar to the downtown food cart pods.

Discussion: What should we do when we can't meet at McKay? We discussed several possible options, but most were not actually in our NAC. Then we discussed moving the date, as our fourth Thursday date runs into many school-related holidays (Spring Break, Thanksgiving, etc.). We could also meet quarterly, but Michelle noted that we've been making good progress right now and recommended we keep the monthly schedule (with the summer off and the winter holidays off). We will look into moving to the 2nd Thursday of the month, which would make it easier to meet at the school. Michelle suggested Copper Monkey. Ernie will follow up over the summer to see if they have a room we could use.

Ernie discussed some of the feedback from the Picnic in the Park. He mentioned that someone from the Hidden Valley trailer park in our NAC complained that their landlord was not fixing problems. Lani Parr suggested that they work with the City's mediation program. Ernie will pass on this information if the complainants contact him.

Consent Agenda - Approval of minutes: Ernie moved that we accept the minutes as written. Tracy seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Michelle played a voice mail from Sherry about the summer book drive at McKay Elementary. She had questions about fliers and door hangers. She has distributed some door hangers from Lani, and there are a lot more of them to be distributed; distribution time counts toward our community hours for the project.

Work on sidewalks on Scholls Ferry Road between Denney Rd. and Whitford Middle School is underway. Paving is also underway in the Raleigh West area.

New Business: THPRD is going to have a representative come out to NAC meetings each month to give an update. They hope to facilitate communication between that organization and the neighborhoods.

Meeting end time: 8:16 pm