

City of Beaverton  
Neighborhood Association Committee Meeting Minutes

**NAC: Denney Whitford / Raleigh West**

Date: October 12, 2017

Board members present:

Co-Chair: Sherry Moore

Co-Chair: Ernie Conway

BCCI Rep: Michelle Lupo

Treasurer: Sheri Struk

Recorder: Tracy Thornton

Quorum present?  Yes  No

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Meeting start time: 7:03

**Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Report (Station 53):** No report.

**Beaverton Police Department Report:** Officer Justin Haugen presented September crime stats. There was an uptick in theft/larceny offenses (likely thefts from vehicles) and burglaries. Theft tends to increase around the holidays.

The department will be doing a public service announcement soon about the new cell phone (hands free) law. The law went into effect Oct. 1.

Update on the RVs parked on 5<sup>th</sup> at Western: Traffic Commission denied a motion to add bike lanes because the request was based on bicycle safety and only one bicyclist spoke to that issue. People unhappy with that decision can appeal to City Council. Beaverton Police Officer Howard went to the area today with social services representatives to offer services and see what could be done to get the people there into housing, but the people weren't interested.

If someone is living in a vehicle, the vehicle is not considered abandoned and the City will not tow them. The City is actively working on the situation but taking things slowly and carefully to ensure they work within the law.

Upcoming events:

- Car seat clinics: Oct 21, Nov. 18, and Dec. 16 from 9:00 am-12:00 pm at Kuni Auto Center on Cedar Hills Blvd.
- DEA drug takeback event at Beaverton Police Dept.: Oct. 28 from 10:00 am-2:00 pm. You can take in old prescription medication to be disposed of properly.
- Document shredding event: Sunset Presbyterian on Cornell on Nov. 11.

**Tualatin Hills Parks & Recreation District Report:** Heath Wright reported that THPRD is looking for volunteers to serve on advisory committees in three areas: Nature and Trails, Parks and Facilities, and Programs and Events. Applications are being accepted through Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>. Check the website for more information. Other upcoming events:

- Newt Day, Nov. 4, 12:00 to 4:00, admission \$3 for age 3 and up (under 2 is free).
- Women's only swim and first free Fridays are ongoing.
- Oct. 13, 6:30 pm at Harman Swim Center: the Dive-In Movie will be Disney's Haunted Mansion.
- Also at Harman: On Oct. 28, THPRD will hold a Pumpkin Bob event.
- The Aquatic Center remains under renovation through December. Pictures are posted on Facebook. The Raleigh Swim Center is open for lap swimming up until the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

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- Mountain View Park is large new park with many facilities, including an ADA-accessible field. It opened to the public on Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>; the grand opening event is Oct. 14.
- 10<sup>th</sup> annual Cedar Mills Cider Festival at JK Young house on Cornell in Cedar Mill. Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>.

THPRD applied for and received accreditation by the Commission for Accreditation of Parks and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA) meeting 151 targets. They are one of only four recreation districts in the state to receive this.

**City report:** Emily Van Vleet from the Neighborhood Program reported that Beaverton was listed as one of the best places to live in Fortune magazine (again).

Residential composting begins Oct. 30; food scraps can go into your yard debris bin.

Volunteers are needed for Beaverton's severe weather shelter, open the first weekend in November until March. Fill out an application online at: [www.beavertonoregon.gov/shelter](http://www.beavertonoregon.gov/shelter). They need overnight supervisors, people to serve dinner in the evening, or help people pack up in the morning and serve breakfast. Volunteers must go through an orientation/training.

The main library is having a Family Resource Fair with 20 different nonprofits on Sat. Oct. 21st.

**Guest Speakers:**

*Stacey Revay, Active Transportation Plan - Will be rescheduled (again).*

*Mark Forker, Executive Director for Habitat for Humanity, project on Denney Road. This project already had a public hearing during the summer, so this is just an informational meeting. This is a type 2 design review, which doesn't require community input, but this is an opportunity for people to learn more about Habitat for Humanity and affordable housing.*

The property is located at 9845 SW Denney Road, on the north side, about 300 feet from Scholls Ferry Road. It was purchased about 4 years ago. The existing house was deconstructed and as much as possible was salvaged; then the building was offered to TFV&R for a "burn and learn" exercise and was burned down.

This project is managed by a local affiliate of Habitat for Humanity; it is a 501c3 nonprofit and an autonomous group called "Willamette West." It has its own board of directors, does its own fundraising, selects the buyers for the homes.

This project will create 16 attached multifamily units. There are significant wetlands to the north and west of the property that will be accessible to the public and Denney Road via a path. There will be an HOA here; the Willamette West Habitat for Humanity group remains a part of the HOA to make sure they have some authority over the area and to maintain the quality of the area. These properties are all owner occupied; owners are not allowed to rent them. If the owners choose to sell, Habitat for Humanity has the right of first sale. Families can accumulate wealth but there's a shared appreciation schedule based on years of ownership to discourage selling out during housing spikes. The goal is to create strength and stability and pride of ownership. Habitat self-finances the houses and carries the mortgages; they don't charge interest. Mortgages are 30 years. Homes typically appraise for \$225,000; buyers usually earn between 30-40% of median income. Families have to put in 500 hours of volunteer labor ("sweat equity"). Mortgage rate is set at the time of sale, which provides stability. This project will

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take 18-24 months to build and they hope to break ground on the first buildings this summer. This may result in extra cars parked in the area during the day while construction is going on.

*Tracy Thornton, Beaverton Library Foundation's New Year's Eve event, "Loud in the Library":* Tracy is a board member of the Beaverton Library Foundation and suggested that the NAC consider sponsoring some aspect of the event as a way of promoting the NAC program. The event also needs volunteers both at the event and for set up and cleanup.

**Treasurer's Report:** No report. Sherry asked whether we should continue having a PO Box. We use it mostly for Michelle's Farmer's Market checks, and this is working well. Tracy moved that we retain the PO box for another year; Michelle seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**BCCI Report:**

The emergency preparedness summit on Sept. 30 was well-attended and there was a lot of interest.

The Allen Blvd. district plan will engage stakeholders to develop goals and address community needs.

More information on the project can be found here: [www.Beavertonoregon.gov/allen](http://www.Beavertonoregon.gov/allen).

NACs are now eligible for fee waivers for NAC appeals. If we want to appeal a decision made on a land use issue, the NAC can apply for a waiver of the \$2500 fee.

Starting Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, photo red light cameras can start giving tickets for speeding on city roads. We need to ask Officer Haugen about this at our next meeting.

The Diversity Advisory Board and the Housing Implementation Team are working together on the "Faces of Beaverton" project. They are interviewing families in a range of income brackets to get an idea of where they live, how they live, who is in their household, how they live in that income bracket. These groups will put together a summary of their findings and give a presentation at City Council.

**Old Business:**

Ernie has not sent in the matching grant application yet for the WebEx technology. It needs to be sent to Emily and Miles. Ernie will report on this next month.

**Consent Agenda**

Approval of minutes: Ernie moves that we approve the minutes from last meeting; Tracy seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0 with one abstention.

**New Business**

Chik-Fil-A is going in on Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway. There were no zoning changes so they will not hold a public hearing; there were no issues in their Planning Commission hearing.

Nominations for the board are being accepted and we will vote at our next meeting.

Next meeting is Thursday, Nov. 9, 2017.

**Action Items:**

Ernie to submit matching grant application.

Sherry to add two topics to next month's agenda: Red light cameras (question for Officer Haugen) and NAC board elections.

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**Meeting end time:** 8:37 pm