

City of Beaverton
Neighborhood Association Committee Meeting Minutes

NAC: Denney Whitford / Raleigh West

Date: October 11, 2018

Board members present:

Co-Chair: Sherry Moore

Co-Chair: Ernie Conway

BCCI Rep: Rick Skayhan

Treasurer: Sheri Struk

Recorder: Tracy Thornton

Quorum present? Yes No

Meeting start time: 7:00

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Report (Station 53): Nathan Christensen reported that Station 53 had 363 calls last month; 318 were medical and 45 were fires, car accidents, and other incidents. October is Fire Prevention Month, so the crew is sharing tips around cooking safety and safety around heating sources (make sure your furnaces and fireplaces are in good working order and have them serviced regularly). Make sure your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide (CO) detectors are working properly. School-aged children who are home alone should know when to call 911, know your family's safety plan and evacuation routes out of the house, and cooking safety.

CO detectors are required for new construction and all rentals and may be required if you remodel, but they're a good idea in any case. They can be standalone detectors, either plugged in or running on batteries, or combination smoke/CO detectors. Some signs of CO poisoning are headache, skin issues, mental confusion; the first step if you're experiencing symptoms is to get fresh air.

If you're hearing constant beeping from an alarm (CO or smoke), you can call TVF&R and they will come check it. They have a gas detector they can use to check gas levels in your home.

Beaverton Police Department Report: Officer Justin Haugen reported that there were no notable changes in the crime statistics for our neighborhood. The department is sponsoring a Car Seat Clinic on Oct. 20 from 9:00-11:30 am at the Kuni Auto Center on Cedar Hills Blvd and a document shredding event on Nov. 10 from 10:00 am -1:00 pm at Sunset Presbyterian Church on Cornell Rd.

There was an officer-involved shooting in front of the BottleDrop on Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway. The person who was shot survived and was later indicted by the Washington County DA's office (Officer Haugen didn't know the charge).

Photo radar cameras will soon start measuring speed; they're set to go off if you're traveling more than 10 mph over the speed limit. The department is seeing an increase in car crashes, especially in the morning, due to the changing seasonal light conditions, so take extra care. The department has some new people back from the Police Academy and ready to start work next week. The Public Safety Center had an official groundbreaking and the building on the site has been torn down.

Sherry asked if there was any news about graffiti, and there is not. It appears to have gotten better in our NAC, but there was an incident over on Murray Road.

In our area, the police have seen an increase in the theft of utility trailers. Often an increase in a specific crime like this indicates that someone just got out of jail who used to steal utility trailers, and they've gone back to their old ways.

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The people living in RVs and cars on Western Avenue don't seem to have moved elsewhere in the city (but may have moved onto county streets nearby). There does seem to have been an increase in transient issues, such as people camping. The department's bike officers have been tasked with dealing with the issue. If you see a transient camp, report it to the police. The bike officers focus on compliance, not arresting people; their goal is to get people to clean up their space and move on. Vehicles that are parked and left (possibly abandoned) are being towed as they can get to them.

TVF&R noted that the Beaverton Police play a key role in supporting their work by carrying AEDs; the police are sometimes able to respond to a medical call related to a heart attack faster than TVF&R and can perform CPR and use the AED. They perform the same role in supplying Narcan to people who have overdosed on opioids.

Tualatin Hills Parks & Recreation District Report: No report.

City Update:

Lani Parr announced that the next Voters Forum, which BCCI helps organize, is next Thursday, Oct. 18, at Beaverton High School (it was moved because the event has outgrown its space at the library). In surveys from past events, people indicated that they wanted more time to speak with candidates, so the reception time period has been extended.

The Library will be hosting a Family Resource Fair on Oct. 20, which connects non-profit groups that offer free and no-cost services with families with children 10 and under. The event will have fun activities and giveaways, raffle prizes, and free books for the kids. For more information, go to BeavertonLibrary.org/frf.

The city is still looking for volunteers to help with Family Promise of Beaverton. The city is hosting families experiencing homelessness at the Beaverton Community Center. They need help with people bringing in food, helping with kids' activities, and staying overnight. For more information, go to BeavertonOregon.gov/shelter.

As Officer Haugen mentioned, intersection speed enforcement has begun at Cedar Hills Blvd. and Walker Rd., Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway and Griffith Drive, Allen and Lombard, and Scholls Ferry Road and Hall Blvd. The warning period is currently underway; around mid-October, real citations will start being issued. Sgt. Schaer will come present information on why the city is starting this program at a future NAC meeting.

Beaverton is hosting several free leaf drop-off sites throughout the city from Oct. 27 through November 25; each event runs from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The city asks that you consider making a food donation for the Sunshine Pantry when dropping off your leaves. For more information about the specific sites, go to BeavertonOregon.gov/leafdisposal.

Lani will ask Miles Glowacki to send out the notes about the city's initiatives related to homelessness from the recent NAC quarterly leadership meeting to NAC boards.

Guests:

Kent Drangsholt spoke on behalf of the owners of the Satellite Pub at 4810 SW Western Ave. He presented information about their business as part of the city's requirement for a neighborhood review meeting for their permits. They would like to extend their hours of operation, which are now 11:00 am to 10:00 pm, to 9:30 am to 1:00 am to be on par with other pubs in the area. The pub is inside the Garage Sale Warehouse building next to BiMart, and they use the food cart pod outside that building to serve

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food inside the pub. OLCC has approved them using the food cart pod as a kitchen for the pub; customers can order food inside the pub and it will be delivered from the food carts. This also means the food carts can sell food for 20+ extra hours per week, so the pub is supporting these small businesses.

The pub is currently operating; they just want to extend the hours. They're also making about \$200,000 in improvements to the building, including new restrooms, sound walls, and emergency exits. Off-street parking will be on the west side of the building in the lot shared with BiMart, with an entrance off of Western. This will keep the traffic as far away from residential areas as possible. The pub has live music now and hope to continuing having music once or twice per week (not counting karaoke). The majority of the music will be indoors; in the summer, there's an outdoor patio that may have acoustic music. Any outdoor music events are not affected by this request; those events will shut down by 10:00 pm. At least two food carts will be open any time the pub is open.

The owners ultimately want to become a music venue that provides alcohol (beer, wine, and cider only), and bring big name bands. But they're trying to create an environment where the music is not an issue. This is new for Beaverton since the city hasn't allowed this kind of venue in the past, so they're working through the city's processes. If anyone in the neighborhood has an issue with the pub, please call the owners so they can try to fix the problem (the city prefers that people do this). Security is provided by staff, and so far they have had no concerns.

The owners followed the city's process for these changes by notifying people within 500 feet of the border of the business on all sides; in addition, business owners across the street were notified. The pub is having a second meeting, on site at the pub, on October 23 at 6:00 pm.

Ernie asked whether the food carts would need to have individual conditional use permits for the extended hours. Kent said that their food cart permit already extends from 7:00 am to 1:00 am each day; Ernie noted that the NAC was never notified about those extended hours. Lani will check on this.

The pub plans a soft opening on Saturday, Oct. 27, with a costume party, prizes, and music by 13-piece band Pin and the Hornets.

Visitor comments:

Two of the people running for State Representative for House District 27 spoke. Brian Pierson is the Independent Party candidate; he is socially liberal and fiscally conservative. He has had a career of service, starting at West Point, 10 years in the army, serving in Desert Storm, and as a professor at West Point. Then he spent 25 years in business and industry in executive leadership. This is his first foray into politics; he wanted to get involved and serve. His motto is "state over party"; he wants to take the best ideas from both Democrats and Republicans and bring them together. He noted that he and Sheri agree on a lot of things, especially around healthcare, but they have different approaches to the state's financial issues.

Sheri Malstrom is the current State Rep for District 27. She has had a career of service in this community as a public health nurse. In that work, she saw how policies passed in state government affected people as well as the social determinants of health. Because of her experience, she works on a lot of healthcare bills and is on the House Healthcare committee as well as a budget committee for human services. She works with experts in the legislature regardless of their political party, and 95% of the bills passed in the legislature are bi-partisan, meaning not that they're equally supported by Democrats and Republicans but rather that the bills were worked on by people on both sides. She's recently been working on a drug takeback bill to make it as easy to dispose of drugs (such as opioids) as it is to get them.

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The candidates discussed their views on how to fix the state budget. Sheri is in favor of more revenue, getting rid of the kicker, and finding a stable source of funding in addition to checking spending. Most of the fights in the legislature are not about whether something is a good idea but rather whether it's a priority for funding. We don't have a sales tax, but tourism is a huge industry here so it's frustrating that we don't bring in tax revenue from that.

Brian knows from working in very large businesses that there's always opportunity to find waste. Because he has worked for corporations, he knows how to appeal to their need for short term profits when considering how to change the corporate tax rate. He feels we haven't tried hard enough with PERS; he suggests we start by taking all legislators and judges out of PERS so that the people making decisions about it aren't in the system. He would transition those in PERS now into a 401(k)-type retirement plan, and he would make an argument using bankruptcy law to reduce the salaries for those at the very top of the PERS pay scale. He believes in putting money at the lowest possible level (such as in the classroom for teachers) to give more local control of budgets.

Board Updates:

- **Treasurer's Report:** \$1.37 dividend was added to our account. Sherry recommends not renewing the PO Box since Michelle Lupo is no longer running the Farmer's Market booth.
- **BCCI Report:** Rick reported that BCCI is sponsoring the Voters Forum, as Lani noted. BCCI wants to move election of its officers forward one month; this might affect NACs and their elections. (Officers are usually elected at their November board meeting and they want to move it to October.)

Wireless companies are asking for permission from the city to add microtowers for 5G networks throughout the city; they would be built in the right-of-way in some cases. Because the range of 5G is very limited because of its frequency, we will need a lot of these towers. The towers are needed for driverless cars. Sheri Malstrom noted that the legislature has a special committee meeting on these autonomous vehicles; they're trying to avoid having each community come up with its own solution. The Planning Department wants feedback from NACs by the end of October. Lani will also look at adding this information on the city's Neighborhood page and also add it to the NAC Friday update.

Consent Agenda:

- Minutes from September: Sheri noted two minor corrections. Sheri moved to approve as amended; Sherry seconded. The motion passed.

New Business:

We will be accepting Board nominations at our next meeting (with the election to be held in December).

Old Business:

We were not able to check with THPRD about the Giving Tree; we will add this to the November agenda.

Meeting end time: 8:34 pm

Next meeting is Nov. 8, 2018.