

CITY OF BEAVERTON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

NAC: <i>Denney Whitford/Raleigh West</i>		DATE: <i>3-26-09</i>
BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:		QUORUM PRESENT: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chair: <i>Ray Bowman</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treasurer: <i>Julia Sathler</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Vice Chair: <i>Andrew Bynum</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recorder: <i>Martha Schauffler</i>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BCCI Rep: <i>Sim Yasu-tome</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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NAC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP PRESENT: <i>See sign-up sheet.</i>		
MEETING START TIME: <i>7 p.m.</i>	MEETING ADJOURN TIME: <i>9 p.m.</i>	
RECORDER'S SIGNATURE <i>Martha Schauffler</i>	DATE: <i>4-5-09</i>	

According to the Oregon Public Meeting and Records Laws, meeting minutes shall include at least the following:

- members present;
- motions, proposals, resolutions, orders, ordinances and measures proposed and their deposition;
- results of all votes and, except for public bodies consisting of more than 25 members unless requested by a member of that body, the vote of each member by name
- the substance of any discussion on any matter; and
- subject to the Public Records Laws, a reference to any document discussed at the meeting.

Minutes need not be a verbatim transcript, and the meeting does not have to be recorded unless otherwise required by law.

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Discussion points:		
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Motion:		
Vote: <input type="checkbox"/> Passed <input type="checkbox"/> Failed <i>If the vote is not unanimous; please list the names of those individuals who voted for or against the motion.</i>		
Voted Yes:	Voted No:	

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Ray Bowman, Chair, called the meeting to order and welcomed members and guests.

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue: Captain Yes announced that excavation has begun on the new facility site. The Station 53 fire crew is now in a mobile unit near Whitford School on Scholls Ferry Rd. A neighborhood resident asked if smoke alarms were still being given away and was told yes and to call the fire station.

Beaverton Police Department: Officer Jeff Young handed out stat information through March 10th. Most of the reports logged were DUII's, drug arrests and thefts.

Guest Speaker: Ray introduced Beaverton's new mayor, Dennis Doyle, who gave a presentation of his approach to city government, what has been happening since the first of the year. He recently visited the National League of Cities back east and reported that 85% of Americans live in cities. Stimulus money is coming to Oregon cities via the state. Be aware of more folks living "on the streets and in cars." 20% of folks in Washington County are below the poverty level and public assistance is up 30%. The City Council is participating more. Mayor Doyle's role is moderator – few constraints. He plans to promote transparency in the city's relationship to businesses and to be up front regarding repairs. More churches have food pantries and are helping to give food to all in need, including teens. Mayor Doyle is meeting with multi-cultural residents and diversity groups locally. More people are asking to be included. The NAC's can be involved in this year-long process. The mayor stated the city budget will not go up this fiscal year, and he had taken a 10% pay cut. The Urban Renewal Tax, voted in last November, will attract business. New businesses are moving into the area (such as Solar World). The Merle Davies School is being renovated.

Answers to questions: A WalMart store is not an issue at present. Regarding noise from trains in the downtown area, urban renewal should help with a change in signals. Concerning Hwy. 217 ramp entrance lights being on during non-rush hours, refer to ODOT. Many of our streets and roads are state-owned and maintained. The City cannot change them. Re: removal of dirt from Fanno Creek, call Tualatin Valley Parks & Recreation (a separate agency, 503-645-6433). Regarding problems at the junction of Beaverton Hillsdale, Oleson, Scholls Ferry, refer to Washington County. A letter was given to Mayor Doyle concerning flooding on and around a path along Fanno Creek. Mayor Doyle asked the group: 1) What area do you consider Beaverton's downtown? Answer: Beaverton Mall, Washington Square, Fred Meyer, Library and Farmers Market. 2) What in the area would you want changed? Ans: More residential neighborhoods and homes with porches, fill in ditch on Denney Rd. 3) Should the city be supportive of the arts? Yes.

Neighborhood Issues: Neighborhood resident, Don Walton, described a situation on 101st St. regarding several homes with unkept yards, garbage, mildew, unsafe deck structure, back yards in poor condition and complaints about the presence of rats. One yard has a pool with rotting leaves and standing water where mosquitoes breed.

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