

**NEWPORT HILLS COMMUNITY CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
March 21, 2006**

CALL TO ORDER AND PRESENTATION OF AGENDA

The meeting was held at the Newport Hills Community Church, 5833 119th Ave, Bellevue. Executive Board members in attendance were the following: Steve Kunkel (Pres.), Gary Thramer (Vice Pres.), Beverly Heyden (Treas.) and Barbara Lee (Secretary). Regina Glenn (Past Pres.) was absent. A total of fifty persons were in attendance. Kunkel called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and presented the meeting agenda.

GUEST SPEAKERS

- Michael and Sylvia Jones updated the members on the 119th St. Improvement activities. Construction expected to occur May – October 2006.
- Marian Peiffer, principal at Newport Heights Elementary, informed the members of the relocation and remodeling of the school to the current Lake Heights YMCA site. Architects were approved by the School Board and community meetings will be scheduled soon. Demolition and construction should begin June 2007 with the new school opening August 2008. NHCC website will announce community meeting dates once they have been scheduled.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The minutes of the October 25, 2005 NH Community Club General Meeting were reviewed and filed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Beverly Heyden presented the Proposed 2006-2007 Budget for fiscal year April 1, 2006 through March 31, 2007. Motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to adopt the 2006-2007 Budget.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Steve Kunkel noted the highlights of the Trustee Commitment Dinner and asked for volunteers for the Trustee Areas currently uncovered. These Areas include: 7, 8, 9, 9B, 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28. Kunkel reviewed the handout titled "2006 Guest Speakers at Board Meetings".

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Gary Thramer encouraged members to volunteer for various Trustee and Committee positions so the Club can implement its programs. He is seeking a person interested in the Vice Presidency position for 2006-2007.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1) Membership

Sandi Tampa, Chair, announced that the March membership drive is underway.

2) Newsletter

Cheryl Nygaard announced the April 28 deadline for submission of material and advertising for the June 2006 newsletter.

3) Website

Grace Whiteaker indicated that a map of neighborhood businesses and the new Trustee Areas map are both on the website.

4) Volunteer Appreciation

Kunkel presented Certificates of Appreciation to two Club volunteers: Lillian Meier, Area 2 Trustee; Marie Crager, Merchants Liaison.

5) Youth Activities

- Dianna Campbell was not in attendance to report on the Spring Egg Hunt set for April 15
- Michelle Hilhorst, Chair of the Santa Tour, will start planning next December's event earlier. It will involve a modified route through the neighborhood with the tour terminating at the Red Apple Shopping Center similar to the 2005 event.

6) Community Outreach

- Kunkel and Heyden set March 28th meeting to begin planning the 4th of July Picnic. New ideas raised by the membership included: baseball game; talent show; street fair; art show; Newport HS Jazz Band; face painting; Mustard Seed Singles activity; pie eating contest; pie baking contest.
- Antique Car Show set for August 12. Event is preceded by a pancake breakfast with proceeds benefiting the elementary school PTA. Last year 45 cars were on display.

7) Land Use and Community Appearance

Questions were raised about the status of Eastside Catholic school (staying or leaving?) and the status of a new King County Library branch in Newcastle.

8) Merchant's Liaison

Crager expressed the merchant association's continued commitment to the Club's programs including: Santa Tour, 4th of July Picnic and Antique Car Show.

9) Government Liaison

Ray Osburn reviewed a handout describing the issues being addressed by this committee including: Coal Creek Stabilization Program; Coal Creek Park; West Ravine Property; 1-405 Expansion Project; City of Bellevue's Neighborhood Enhancement Program.

10) Public Safety

Vicki Judkins spoke to the three activities underway with this committee: Emergency Preparedness planning (with the City of Bellevue); Crime-Free Multi-Housing initiative; Graffiti abatement.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- 1) Data Base – Committee has been formed to set policies for managing the Club's mailing list

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Vote on Amendments to Club's Bylaws – These motions were presented and passed at the October 17, 2005 General Membership Meeting. They are being presented at this time for final approval:

- 1) Kunkel made a motion to amend and re-establish the boundaries for the Newport Hills Community Club as follows: All areas north of SE 68th Street, SE 69th Way, SE 69th Place, south of an east/west line intersecting Exit 10 on I-405 and west of Coal Creek and Coal Creek Parkway.

Motion was seconded and unanimously approved to expand the boundaries of the Newport Hills Community Club.

- 2) Kunkel made a motion to change the Meetings section of the Bylaws as follows:
 Article V Meetings, Section 1: Change the first sentence of this article to read: "Board of Directors Meetings" shall take place each month except March and October.
 Article V Meetings, Section 2: Change as follows: "General Membership Meetings" for the entire membership shall occur in March and October.
 Article V Meetings, Section 8: Change as follows: Times and places of all Board Meetings and General Membership Meetings shall be determined by the incoming President, posted on the Club's website and published in the Newsletter.

Motion was seconded and unanimously approved to change the Meetings section of the Bylaws.

- Kunkel made a motion to add Website and Management Guidelines to the Newport Hills Community Club Handbook as follows:

Website Content and Management Guidelines: Priority of information to be posted on the website: 1) Description of the Club; 2) Club sponsored events; 3) Changing information from Standing Committee Chairs. Officers and all Standing Committee Chairs may send content directly to the webmaster for posting on the website. The webmaster will always carbon copy

any and all submissions received to the Club President for review before posting the submission to the website. Content coming from others besides Officers and Committee Chairs must be submitted to the Board of Directors at a regular monthly meeting and approved by the Board before being posted on the website.

Motion was seconded and unanimously approved to add Website Content and Management Guidelines to the Club's Handbook.

- Vote on Amendments to Club's Bylaws – This motion was presented and passed at the March 21, 2006 Board Meeting. It is being presented at this time for final approval by the General Membership:

1) Steve Kunkel made a motion to approve changes to Article IX Amendments to Bylaws by replacing existing Article IX with the following:

Section 1 – Proposal and First Reading: Proposed amendments to these Bylaws shall be first submitted by any Club Member, in writing, to the Board of Directors and read at any Board or General Membership Meeting. The Board shall then discuss the Proposal and pass, amend, postpone or refer it to committee. This initial process may take one or more Board Meetings. The resulting Proposal shall be posted on the Club Website for at least 20 days and comments from the General Membership shall be forwarded to the original Sponsor of the Amendment(s).

Section 2 – Final Wording of Proposed Amendments: After considering comments from the General Membership, the Sponsor may further amend the Proposal and submit it for approval at a Board or General Membership Meeting. Approval of this Proposal with any further amendments made during the Meeting shall become the Final Wording. The Final Wording of the Proposed Amendment(s) shall be posted on the Club Website and published in the Newsletter for review by the General Membership, then submitted for Adoption at the next General membership meeting following the Newsletter in which the Final Wording was published. A hard copy of the Proposed Amendment(s) shall be offered and made available to any Member who requests one. If the Proposal is not approved it may be amended and resubmitted according to Section 1 above.

Section 3 – Adoption of Amendments: The Final Wording of the Proposed Amendment(s) shall be adopted after a vote is taken at the General Membership Meeting following approval of the Final Wording at a previous Meeting according to Sections 1 and 2 above.

Section 4 – Voting: Written copies of the Proposed Amendment(s) to the Bylaws shall be made available at all Meetings at which they will be considered, and the proposals shall be read prior to

discussion and vote by the Members. Voting for amendments shall be in accordance with Article VI, Section 7.

Motion was seconded and unanimously approved to replace existing Article IX Amendments to Bylaws with new language described in the motion.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Landscaping Newport Hills Entrance signs – John Virden will begin clean-up activities for the 60th Street entrance sign.
- 2) Red Apple Receipts Volunteer needed – Ronda Patrick is retiring as the Receipts Volunteer.
- 3) Club Trustee Duties in Handbook – language will be presented at an upcoming Board Meeting to add language to the Handbook relating the Trustee duties.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) 4th of July planning meeting: March 28th, 7:00 p.m., Kunkel's office
- 2) Newsletter and Data Base meeting: May 2, 7:00 p.m., Kunkel's office

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. Next General Membership Meeting set for October 23, 2006.