

**Newport Hills Community Club
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
April 17, 2007**

Call to Order

The Board of Directors Meeting was held at the Newport Hills Community Church, 5833 119th Avenue, Bellevue. Executive Board Members in attendance were: Gary Thramer (President), Beverly Heyden (Vice President), Steve Kunkel (Past President), Elinor Smith (Treasurer) and Barbara Lee (Secretary).

Gary Thramer called the meeting to order at 7.00 pm.

Guest Speakers - None

Secretary's Report - None.

Treasurer's Monthly Report

Elinor Smith submitted the following.

Beginning Balance on March 1, 2007	\$ 7, 579.82
Income for March 2007	1, 070.00
Expenses	2, 309.12
Ending Balance on March 31, 2007	\$ 6, 340.70

Treasurer's Report was filed with no corrections.

Smith reported that she made an insurance payment in the amount of \$1,472.00 after the treasurer's report was written.

President's Report

Gary Thramer noted that he is writing an article for the next club newsletter about the Random Acts of Kindness recognition being launched by the club.

Vice President's Report – None

City Liaison Report –Rich Dolleman will report back to the club the latest NEP funding decisions affecting Newport Hills community.

Committee Reports

Membership

Sandi Tampa asked for feedback from Trustees regarding the March membership drive.

Newsletter-

Pastor Paul from the Community Church has agreed to assist Cheryl Nygaard with club newsletter layout and assembly activities.

Website – none

Volunteer Appreciation-None

Youth Activities

- 1) Spring Egg Hunt – some issues discussed after this year's Hunt include: attendance appeared to be down and it may be due to the earlier date for the Egg Hunt (two weekends before Easter); suggested that the age groups for the kids be staged so that parents could participate in multiple hunts with their children; Steve Kunkel wants to advertise the event next year by hanging a banner on his place of business.

Community Outreach

1) 4th of July Picnic- park permit has been issued. Ideas for this year's picnic include: add kids' games; continue pie eating contest; invite Dance Studio back to perform; invite Jr. High cheer squad to perform. S. Kunkel will call a planning meeting in May.

Land Use and Community Appearance-

Steve Penner made the following report: 1) Clearwire Tower – permit has not been issued yet. He plans to file and administrative appeal once it is issued (as a private homeowner); 2) Newport Heights School remodel – plans were approved by the city 2 weeks ago. April 19 is the deadline for administrative appeals to be filed; 3) City of Bellevue Gateway Program – there are funds to improve the neighborhood entrances in Bellevue. City has decided to fund a study for using Gateway funds in the Newport Hills community. A working group is being formed including Penner and Lake Heights Community Club representative. Steve expects the city will focus on the Coal Creek Parkway entrance and the Lake Washington Blvd. freeway exit into Newport Hills.

Merchant's Liaison-none

Government Liaison – none

Public Safety – Michael Davis noted that he has attended several emergency preparedness fairs. He will prepare a flier for the upcoming club newsletter on this topic. It was suggested that preparedness material be made available to the community at the 4th of July Picnic. Crime activity has included car break-ins at the Swim Club and a residential burglary on 129th.

Special Committees – none

Unfinished Business - none

New Business

Steve Kunkel noted his concern regarding tensions that have emerged between some Club members and the Board. In particular, a group of neighbors on 119th St. want the Board to oppose the transportation portion of the school's remodeling plan. Kunkel would like assistance with drafting language to amend the Club's by-laws to create a process for taking a formal position on a neighborhood issue.

Announcements

Next Board of Directors meeting set for May 15, 2007 and guest speakers from the Bellevue School Board are expected to speak about the school remodeling plans.

Adjournment

Gary Thramer adjourned the meeting at 9:09 p.m.