

NHCC General Meeting August 21, 2012

Meeting called to order: 7:05pm

Date: Tuesday August 21st, 2012

Location: Newport Hills Community Church, 5833 119th Ave SE Bellevue, WA 98006

Meeting Agenda:

A. Call to Order

B. Officer Reports

1. President's Report (7:07pm)

- a. Kurt Springman resigns as VP - Heidi assumes VP board position
 - i. goal - to transfer knowledge/existing info to Heidi Dean
- c. Cheryl Cohen - neighborhood mediator in attendance
- d. 4th of July recap - Treasurer Report (see T.report below)
- e. generous donations (cash)
 - i. Kenny (Mustard Seed owner)
 - ii. Barry (Chevron owner)
- f. quarterly newsletter deadline?
- g. future Events
 - i. Holiday Bazaar?

C. Presentation

1. Cheryl Cohen - Neighborhood Mediator (7:15pm)

- a. Bellevue neighborhood mediation program
- b. resolve issues through conflict management + negotiation
- c. goal is to mediate conflict through reconciliation, before legal action is taken - AVOID LITIGATION
- d. free | voluntary | confidential
- e. EX. MEDIATION: property lines, noise, landlord-tenant issues, work place mediation, foreclosure, etc.
- f. avoid, accommodate, collaborate, compete
- g. Mediation -----> Arbitration -----> Litigation

B. Officer Report cont.

2. Vice President Report (7:42pm)

- a. Hecht Construction - potential advertiser
- b. Newsletter deadline for release - August 31st!!
- c. Newport Swim + Tennis Club Advertising - Eric (mng.) point of contact
- d. Wal-Mart
 - i. Paul Cox (Factoria Store Manager) will appear at next general meeting (9/18/2012) to answer Q's
 - ii. NHCC will post information about Wal-Mart hiring center on the Club website

3. Treasurer Report (7:48pm)

- a. Numbers not final - (T.report) needs to add donations from Kenny/Barry (see P.report)
- a. Ending Balance - \$755.61
- b. Total Expenses - \$4,471.40
- c. Income (?)
- d. 260 members (?)
- e. Motion to Accept (T.report) Approved

4. Past President Report (7:54pm)

- a. Speech about comradery + collaborative community involvement
- b. General thanks + congratulations to board/community members

D. Chair Reports

1. Membership Report (7:58pm) - Robin Bentley
 - a. No news to report
2. Shopping Center Revitalization (8:00pm) - Michelle Hillhorst
 - a. Bill Pace Produce – new merchant
 - i. Fruit/vegetable + coffee shop/pastries coming into old Hallmark store
 - ii. waiting on announcement for store hours
 - b. Neighborhood Business Zoning - City has no interest in changing size limitations (NB zoning change of square footage)
 - c. Potential interest - old Herfy's restaurant
 - d. Scarlet Curtain - will not be coming back to Newport Hills retail space
3. Public Safety & SPAN Report
 - a. No news to present
4. Park Planning Committee Report (8:06pm)
 - a. Kickoff Meeting Report (from committee meeting 8/14)
 - i. Community outreach survey - how do you envision park to look like?
 - ii. Formation of committee -
 - a. review the outreach results for community's vision of Tyler Property (**city/public owned**)
 - b. city allowing Newport hills to have Park Planning Committee to decide use of Tyler Creek Park
 - i. contingent on Newport Hills Committee to decisively come to some resolve
 - c. community expressed general concern/issue with communication of Outreach Survey + info on Park Planning Committee
 - d. application process put together as joint effort by City of Bellevue Parks Dept. AND Newport Hills Community
 - e. PROCESS - Contact Robert Parish (5 members selected) - City of Bellevue & Robert Parish selected committee
 - f. Robert Parish no longer leading committee – need new **Point of Contact** members
 - g. City has put Planning Committee under microscope to execute and come to consent for direction determined by committee as voice of community
 - i. failure of Park Planning Committee to come to consensus will force City of Bellevue Parks Dept. to revoke Newport Hills community to decide use of Tyler Park -----> **confirm!!**
 - h. COMMITTEE MEETING OVERVIEW:
 - i. Discuss park uses: multi-use space including off-leash dog allowance, more secure fences
 - ii. Obtain grants, private funding
 - iii. Ask city to, as a short term plan, allow off-leash dog usage on Tyler Property to avoid potential ticketing of dog owners and avoid further disputes between residents
 - iv. **Short Term Vision Plan** (see i & ii) above
 - v. Committee Members:
 - a. (1)Robin Bentley; (2) Lisa Viereck; (3) Michelle Hilhorst; (4) Heidi Dean; (5) Cheryl Jurrus; (6) Bruce Young ~ non-vote
 - i. COMMUNITY SUGGESTIONS:
 - i. re-open committee selection process
 - ii. more committee-community transparency & communication
 - iii. Establish a **Point Person**
 - a. need names + contact information when referring to "the city" or "the selection committee," etc.
 - j. FACEBOOK page - **NewportHillsDogPark** (all one word)

E. Unfinished Business

1. Not covered

F. New Business

1. Not covered

E. Adjournment (9:33pm)

Misc. Notes:

- About 30 new members signed up at 4th of July Picnic
- Send out envelope for Membership Dues in newsletter
- More transparency in newsletter - requested by community
- Bring previous newsletters to general meetings for reference