

1. The meeting was called to order by President Michelle Hilhorst.
2. President's Report, Michelle Hilhorst.
  - a. The new park is shaping up. The cement foundation has been removed and the hole that remains will be filled, there is some wood fencing, gravel drive and a parking area., and the City has erected a sign identifying it as a park. The park will remain as it is now for a few years, until there is money in the budget for more improvements.
  - b. The City of Bellevue is providing plants for the mini park and the trailhead area. Newport Hills residents must plant them according to the city's landscaping plans. This will take place on Saturday, October 16.
  - c. Motion made, seconded, and carried to collapse the Land Use Appearance, Government Liaison and Youth Activities and using committees instead.
3. Secretary's Report, Debra Haraldson. The minutes from the June meeting were emailed to the Board. Motion made, seconded, and carried to approve the minutes as filed.
4. Vice President's Report, Lisa Viereck.
  - a. The Fourth of July picnic was a huge success. Approximately 750 people were fed, 800 pounds of food collected, and there were more merchants tabling this year than in the past. A special thanks to the NH Community Church, the Mustard Seed, and the Chevron station.
  - b. Newport Hills Park. For updates on the progress of this renovation, visit <http://www.flickr.com/photos/bellevuewashington/sets/72157624154285773/>
5. Treasurer's Report, Matt Camrud. See attached.
6. City of Bellevue Neighborhood, Rich Dolleman. Present but no report.
7. Guest Speakers
  - a. Tom Boydell, Manager, Office of Economic Development. Money has been secured to proceed on revitalizing the NH Shopping Center. Step 1: A retail/broker consultant has been to analyze the space. This consultant may be available to attend the September or October meeting. Her work should conclude by mid-September. Step 2: A different consultant will be hired to perform an in-depth analysis of market economics and feasibility. What is expected to emerge is a report on cost benefits and some conceptual designs by late November. Step 3: This design step is currently unfunded.
  - b. Community Feedback: Tom requested that all surveys from the community be sent to him as soon as possible so he can share them with the consultant. The owners of the shopping center and Stod's properties are working with the city on moving this project forward with the community's support and input.
  - c. Wes Williams, owner of the Stods and Sahara Pizza property introduced himself.
  - d. David Hsiao, part owner of the NH Shopping Center property.

- e. Jim Granger, NH Swim & Tennis Club. The Club has developed a three phase vision:
  - i. Covering the five tennis courts for year-round use;
  - ii. Demolish and rebuild the locker rooms and the entrances;
  - iii. Remodeling the competition and recreational pools.The Club has applied for a grant from the City but other organizations have also applied. The project should cost between \$1.5 and \$2M.
- 8. Membership, Sandi Tampa. There are 598 members against a goal of 600. Sandi reported that she is resigning as the Membership Chair and is looking for her replacement. She will still be involved with the NHCC.
- 9. New Business
  - a. Community Fair. Robin Bentley reported on this September 25<sup>th</sup> event which is in the early stages of planning. There will be baked goods, crafts, food vendors, entertainment, children's activities, and the Eastside Heritage Center will participate.
  - b. Gargage sale. On October 2, everyone is encouraged to hold their own garage sales on their property. The City will provide signs that will direct traffice to Lake Heights and Newport Hills. Left over items will be donated to charity. Robin Bentley is working on this with a committee.
  - c. King of the Hill Car Show. Bruce reported that the show will be held on August 14 on the front lawn of the NH Community Church. There is room for 72 cars. See the attached flyer.
  - d. Holiday Bazaar. Michelle asked David if the space previously occupied by the drug store can be used for this event, held after the Santa Tour. He will get back to Michelle at a later time.