

Call to order 7 pm

- 1) Executive Board Reports
  - a) President, Sean Bentley
  - b) Vice President, Brian Turner
  - c) Secretary, Debra Haraldson. Motion made, seconded and carried to approve the December 2014 minutes.
  - d) Interim Treasurer, Heidi Dean:

Checking account closing balance January 31, 2014: \$5,660.51  
Current CD balance: \$3,666.80  
Total: \$9,327.31

- 2) Guest Speaker
  - a) Judy Kinney, MSW, Executive Director, North East Seattle Together (NEST) <http://nestseattle.org/>. Her presentation will be on the website soon.
- 3) Committee Reports
  - a) Membership. We are at 86% of our household memberships goal.
  - b) Newsletter and website, Debra Haraldson. Deadline for spring newsletter is March 1.
  - c) Public safety, Jason Leach. The Bellevue Police Department has an online form to use when you want to report speeding. Visit [http://www.ci.bellevue.wa.us/Traffic\\_Service\\_Request.htm](http://www.ci.bellevue.wa.us/Traffic_Service_Request.htm) for more details. The department has been very responsive and will dispatch motorcycle cops if they can. Helicopters in our area usually indicates police activity. A few weeks ago, police used heat seeking technology to locate two people who had assaulted a driver on 405.
  - d) Activities
    - i) February 22 - Oscars Night, Mustard Seed.
    - ii) April 4 - Spring Egg Hunt at Newport Heights Elementary – volunteers are needed. Contact Maria Mattson at [ri0325@Comcast.net](mailto:ri0325@Comcast.net).
    - iii) Heidi notified the community the PNW Meets car group plans to return to the neighborhood on Saturday 2/28, from 2 p.m. to 5 or 6 p.m. This is NOT affiliated with the NHCC. Last time they visited (January 30) there were about 350 cars. Heidi met with the organizer to outline neighborhood expectations for their group to be welcome here, including trash pickup and traffic & parking control. The organizer plans to work with the BPD re: hotrodding, as most participants are respectful of the neighborhood and want to be welcomed back for subsequent meets.
  - e) Shopping center, Heidi Dean
    - i) Update on Multi-Family Tax Exemption (MFTE). Newport Hills is one area under consideration for the development of mixed use, multi family housing. Representatives from the City of Bellevue and ARCH would like to speak to the community soon. See below.
    - ii) The Resonate Brewery and Pizzeria is planning to move into the Perry Ko space. They have completed demolition and are waiting for permits from the City. International Market's permits have come through and will be moving forward on its remodel. Shannon O'Neill building will have a soon-to-be-announced tenant.
- 4) Unfinished Business
  - a) Update on Kirk House. This house goes up for auction on February 27.
  - b) Update on CENSE. No update. But you can visit [www.cense.org](http://www.cense.org).
  - c) Trustee update. The club is still looking for more trustee volunteers.

- 5) New Business
  - a) Newport Acropolis signage (at 123rd Ave SE & SE 52nd St.). A NH resident, Douglas Nickson, removed the old signs and the mounted lights, then installed new signs reading "Newport Acropolis". Someone else removed the "acropolis" signs and their whereabouts are unknown. Douglas explained that he did it because it used to say "Newport Hills Division XIV" which was installed when the neighborhood was first built. He wanted to beautify the area as it was looking worn and neglected. According to the City, the neighbors can get a permit to make a new sign. Douglas has since reinstalled the old sign and the lights. Heidi recommended we apply for a neighborhood grant from the City and that neighbors in that area work collaboratively on that project.
  - b) Upcoming meetings and locations
    - i) March (date/time/location to be announced) MFTE Update from Dan Stroh, COB Planning Director, and Arthur Sullivan, Program Manager for ARCH (A Regional Center for Housing) <http://www.archhousing.org/>
    - ii) April 4, 4-5 pm, Newcastle Library: Free poetry reading by Eastside poets Michael Dylan Welch (Redmond Poet Laureate), Sean Bentley, Judith Skillman
    - iii) April 21, 7 pm at Bill Pace Produce, tentatively Don Marsh (CENSE)
    - iv) June (date/time/location to be announced): Speaker from Youth Eastside Services <http://youtheastsideservices.org>
- 6) Adjournment