

WEST CENTRAL NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MINUTES

Wednesday, March 11, 2015

6:30 PM @ West Central Community Center

For accuracy, members and guests, please sign in before taking a seat

Remember non-members, 3 out of 4 consecutive attended meetings qualifies you for membership.

If you have attended at least 4 meetings in the last calendar year you may be by written request, become a voting member.

For excused absences please call or e-mail: Mike Brakel at 509-993-3339 or at mbrakel36@gmail.com

Attendance: Judith Gilmore and Jen Hussey, excused. Arielle Anderson, Mike Brakel, Kevin Brownlee, Steve Corker, Naomi Flaherty, Mary Fryback, Daniel Herbers, Kay Howard, Steve Kounkel, Harry Lawrence, Kimberly Lawrence, Kitty Klitzlee, Bonnie McInnis, Jake Miller, Kathy Reid, Helen Sandifur, Jo Ann Stewart, Stephanie Swan, Larry Swartz, Sarah Tosch. Guest: Steve Earsley, Annie Szotkowski, Eric Robison, Keith Kelly, JJ Vancil, Andrew Worlock from City of Spokane, Nathan Gwinn from City of Spokane, Don Swanson.

Called to order at 6:32pm

Welcome and Introductions

Approval of March 11 Agenda and January and February 2015 Minutes

Motioned, Seconded, and Approved to postpone approval of the December, January, and February Minutes until next month as they are not available in printed form tonight.

Presentation: TIF (Tax Increment Financing) by Andrew Warlock

Discussion regarding West Quadrant TIF District funds being used to piggy back on the Green Stone Ash Street improvements between Bridge and College by improving Ash between College and Broadway. We need to make a decision on this by next month.

Neighborhood Clean-Up: A program that provides extra neighborhood clean-up with the Department of Solid Waste

Dates are currently set for April 11-26. We can have the dumpster for 4 hours or we are considered in over time. 30 tons of garbage would be approximately \$3119.34 in cost. We have a total of \$6500 we can use for neighborhood clean up this year. Whatever neighborhoods do not use this spring is put back into a central pot and reallocated to neighborhoods in the fall. Youth For Christ is organizing a service weekend for youth and other volunteers. They are planning to include picking up trash throughout the entire neighborhood. They do not have the funds for a dumpster and so are happy to pair their event with our neighborhood cleanup. It was Moved and Second to have the Dumpster on April 25 in conjunction with Youth for Christ and up to \$2500 in dump passes available between April 11-26 to be picked up on April 11th. The motion was approved.

District Three Permanent Traffic Calming Project Application:

Permanent Traffic Calming Project Applications:

It was Moved and Seconded to apply for the Maxwell/Mission Residential and the North Maple Street Bridge Arterial as our permanent traffic calming projects. This was approved.

Temporary Traffic Calming Placement Dates:

Locations were determined last month: Maxwell at Elm and Maple Street Bridge at Dean. We need to determine our preferred date range for placement. The executive council recommends the second week of June or as soon after as possible as students will be out of school and heading to the pool. It was Moved, Seconded, and Approved to apply to have the mobile traffic signs the second week of June.

West Central Community Center Report - Jo Ann Stewart

Tickets for the May 9th Auction are available online.

Standing Committee Reports – Treasurer's, Community Assembly, Parks, CBDG

Parks Report: Next steps for Nettleton Project involve a memorandum for watering the site and creating a maintenance plan. This should be the final hurdle to get the city to start moving on this. They want to break ground before Bloomsday. There is a Parks Meeting next Wednesday at the community center at 6:30pm.
Community Assembly: The outcome of the 2016 plan has been determined. There will be direct allocations to the neighborhood. A point system will be used so that blocks that have a high level of low to middle income will get a greater allocation. We are in a position to get more money this year than last year due to this newer system. The Community Assembly packet is posted online each month.

New Business

Annie - Walking School Bus Program. Adult volunteers needed to walk with groups of ten kids to school.

Communications Committee Announced. Appointed Committee is Kimberly Lawrence and Arielle Anderson.

Greening Grant Applications are due in June. We need to start thinking about where we want trees.

Public Safety Meeting about Potential Rental Inspection. The conversation is around what currently exists and what is needed. Tenants are needed at this meetings.

Code Enforcement Training Wednesday, March 18, 7-8pm at 1901 West Boone Ave.

Adjourned 7:58pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Naomi Flaherty, Secretary