

WEST CENTRAL GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday July 13th, 2016

From the bylaws. To be a voting member you must be at least 16 years of age, reside, be a property owner, operate a business or a non-profit organization within the boundary of the neighborhood. You must attend three of any four consecutive regularly scheduled WCNC meetings or four meetings in a calendar year (Jan-Dec.) Voting membership becomes effective at the 4th WCNC meeting at which the new member's name shall be noted in the minutes as a new voting member.

Excused absence requests can be emailed to Mike Brakel at wcnc.chair@gmail.com

Members present: Mike Brakel, Steve Corker, Kelly Cruz, Ken Cruz, Marshall Cuthbert, Naomi Flaherty, Shari Frankovic, Judith Gilmore, Steve Kounkel, Kimberly Lawrence, Rose Matisse, Jake Miller, Jessie Norris, Milena Robison, Helen Sandifur, Stephanie Swan, Larry Swartz, Brian Thomas, Morgan Thomas, Sarah Tosch. Excused absences: Harry Lawrence, Kevin Brownlee. New members: Vicki Vega, Brian McClatchey. Members-to-be: Lili Madsen, Justin Mauger. Guests: Erin "Bear" Braich, Karen Stratton-City Council. New voting member (not present) Joseph Elliot. Quorum-17.

Motion to approval of agenda and previous months minutes. seconded and approved.

As a reminder the next month general council meeting will be replaced by a bbq at Dutch Jakes park. Same time and date as the normal meeting.

Housing and Infill: This is a group that meets and discusses community issues. The topic that discussed are to do with landlords and their level of housing accountability.. Also they are trying to come up with housing quality standard to be a common ground to use as a resource.

Standing committee reports:

Membership committee announced that Joseph Elliot is a new member.

CDBG: Their was an email that was sent out with some useful things on how to better use the money. Money is available on July first.

CA: On July 7th Lisa Key new head compressive planned updated. The finalist for then new police chief will have interviews on July 20th at West Central community center at 4:30. Indian trail apartment plan was voted to disapprove it.

PETT: two traffic light assets kits. Brian is appointed to be the PETT committee.

Bylaws: We need to vote on the actual process on how to amend any bylaws. currently there is no process in our current bylaws on how to remove anything. After a in depth conversation on how this needs to be done and done right the general meeting came up with a Motion to create a notification resolution and then actions 19 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstained. *" These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of those present at a regular Council meeting, providing there is a quorum, and providing that a resolution proposing the amendment has been adopted at a preceding regular meeting and that notice of the proposed amendment has been given in the call of the meeting at which the amendment shall be voted upon. Amendments approved by the Council shall be forwarded within two weeks to the City's Office of Neighborhood Services."*

New business: Vikki Vega had two points she wanted to talk about. One being that the neighborhood that she had recently lived in Alaska had a sign that told you that you are entering said neighborhood. And our current sign didn't really get the job done. On the bottom of the document there is a link to our site that has the picture up and with hope it inspires some idea the neighborhood can use as a sign we can all take pride in. Second point she wanted to discuss is that the general council meeting needs to better focus on using and abiding by Roberts Rules of order at each meeting. Kelly said he would like to see the homeless people to be cleared out. Also he had concerns on long time business in the neighborhood being forced out and would like to address the small market business in the neighborhood. Jesse brought up that Project Hope is having a fundraiser on July 17th at 11am. This will be a food drive to help local food banks like Our Place.

Adjourned at 8:01pm.

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