

MINUTES
NORTHWEST OLYMPIA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
Monday, February 23, 2014

Board members present: Erica Guttman, President; Rip Heminway, Vice President; Cathy Visser, Secretary; Jean Mead, Erin Volz, David Moseley and Scott Bishop.

The meeting was held at the Woodard Co-housing Common House at 1620 Woodard Ave NW, Bldg. E2. The meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

Secretary's report, Cathy Visser: January 2014 NWONA minutes were reviewed and a few changes were made. Revised minutes will be posted at the NWONA website and on NextDoor.com.

Treasurer's Report:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>CHARGES</u>	<u>DEPOSITS</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
10/24/13	deposit 1 dues check		25.00	2,367.45
10/29/13	Ck #117 Olympia Food coop - salad stuff for annual	-35.87		2,331.58
10/31/13	deposit interest		0.15	2,331.73
11/04/13	Deposit of dues collected at annual meeting		395.00	2,726.73
11/04/13	Ck#118 John Shepard for pizza for annual meeting	-228.48		2,498.25
11/04/13	Ck#119 Cathy Visser for beverages for annual meeting	-22.50		2,475.75
11/12/13	deposit 1 dues check		25.00	2,500.75
11/30/13	deposit interest		0.14	2,500.89
12/31/13	deposit interest		0.15	2,501.04
01/28/14	Ck#120 Erica Gutman reimburse for office supplies	-30.00		2,471.04
01/28/14	deposit due check		15.00	2,486.04
01/31/14	Deposit interest		0.15	2,486.19

Regular Meeting Place

While are currently meeting at the Woodard Co-housing community room, which is warm and cozy. However, it is a bit isolated and can be difficult to find; for example, an neighbor invited to the January meeting couldn't find the location in the dark. Scott suggested Mariah Arts, which is more centrally located. Cathy will ask Diane Gale if we can have the meetings there. She'll also check with the owners of Great Beginnings Daycare to see if they have public space. Meeting will continue to be held the fourth Monday of each month at 7 pm. Garfield is not available until fall 2014.

Planning for April Semi-annual NWONA Meeting:

Erica made initial inquiries with Gloria Dei Lutheran Church to see if they could accommodate a semi-annual meeting on April 21. It's a possibility, but not certain. Erica will stop by and fill out a request form at Gloria Dei this week to try to reserve this space. Format will be similar to the last meeting, which includes pizza and snacks, hosts for community issue/project topic tables, and addressing agenda items. Gloria Dei does charge, but it is reasonable. If Gloria Dei doesn't work out, Erica will contact Susan McCoy at the school district to see what can be arranged.

CNA:

Erin attended the last meeting and reported back to us. She shared information about same-side garbage collection; the City is expanding its pilot project, but our neighborhood isn't affected at this time. The time has been changed to 6 p.m., so she can no longer attend as she has a conflicting meeting until 6:30 p.m. Erica will contact the chair, Bob Jones, to inquire about the new meeting rules and to try to find ways for us to continue to participate. Rip suggested he would try to attend more regularly, but he also would have a problem with a 6 p.m. starting time.

Priorities for 2014:

Rip suggested that we generate a list to share at the April meeting of what the Board feels we can reasonably accomplish with our current level of community volunteers. Projects noted will include:

- Summer Fun Festival
- Ongoing communication maintenance and improvements
- Pathways Project
- Pocket park – herb beds, seating, maintenance and a new name for the park
- Public safety – what can we do? We could suggest a “resiliency/safety fair” (in cooperation with SWONA) and/or have a small one at our April meeting – and then address this issue in more detail at the October semi-annual meeting. Issues to be addressed could include examples of security systems and tips for keeping the home safe; disaster preparedness and how to promote community resiliency. Jean and Erin will staff a table on this topic at the April meeting to see if others are interested in helping organize an event and move the issue forward. Erin will invite Amy Stull to attend the April meeting. David will come up with additional community resiliency-focused questions to include at the table.

The next NWONA meeting will be held on the fourth Monday, which will be March 24, at 7 p.m. If we cannot use space in Mariah Arts or Great Beginnings, it will be held at the Woodard Co-housing community house again.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.