

## Happy Valley Neighborhood Association Board: Meeting Minutes 8/14/17

Present: Wendy, Aaron, Jake, Ray, Becky, Bobbi, Jim, Sully, Alex, Kathy, John H, Hue and Barbara.

Discussion about the Sept 17th Community Meal. There is traditionally a candidate forum during this meal. We decided to have a discussion on the jail issue. Hue will work to invite those who wrote to speak to the issue in the voter guide. Wendy will confirm that Debbie G. can moderate. Jim will get the ball rolling to set up a separate candidate forum with other Southside neighborhoods. Possible date will be Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. More details pending.

Alex continues to advocate for a park on the "Mormon property" (on Donovan, near Whatcom Hospice and across the street from Blossom Daycare). He has presented a letter in support signed by the HVNA board to the Greenways Committee.

Community Garden at OSLC: Jim moved and Ray seconded to reimburse the church \$85 for rental of the auger to build the fence. Motion passed. Saturday, Sept 30<sup>th</sup> there will be a work party with Western students "Do Good in the Neighborhood" event.

John Hymas spoke to on-going care of our street trees. There is a great need to water through the summer. One water bag was stolen. Board approved reimbursing John \$59 for three new water bags and debris removal. Trees are also in need of pruning.

D-ADU pilot project: We are waiting for news from the Planning Department regarding upcoming hearing and meeting dates.

Southside Summer Cookout will be Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-6:30pm in the OSLC parking lot. Food, beer, music, bounce house and more. Board approved \$100 to cover the cost of the bounce house. Volunteers are needed on Saturday 10-12pm for food prep and Sunday to set-up 2-4:30, serve during the event and clean up after 6:30pm.

Aaron handed out brochures for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual "Day of Plenty" produce exchange: Sunday August 27<sup>th</sup> from 10-1pm at Firehouse Café green.

We need content for a new newsletter. Aaron would also like to pass the torch to a new editor.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Becky Langholz, beckylangholz@gmail.com.