Happy Valley Neighborhood Association (HVNA) Monthly Board Meeting 2-12-2018 Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm. The meeting was facilitated by Vice President Hue Beattie. President position is still open.

Present: Hue Beattie, Bobbi Vollendorf, Monica Aebly, Ray Dellecker, Jim Spaich, Wendy Scherrer, Kathy Husenjaeger, Jake Charlton, and Sam Lockwood, Alex McLean.

Guest: Student from Western's Journalism class assigned to HVN (? Does anyone know her name?).

Treasurer Bobbie Vollendorf presented the treasurer's report. WECU savings balance: \$468, checking \$1,166, trees \$195, Whatcom Foundation Project Neighborly grant \$5,000. Bobbie will renew the HVNA's WA State non-profit neighborhood association status.

Whatcom Dispute Resolution Center (WDR) staff Addie Candib presented information about WDR training "Comfort with Conflict: A Workshop for Neighborhood Residents". The 2 hour workshop is free to neighborhoods and runs through December, but applications are due by the end of February. The Board agreed it would be good to apply and Jim Spaich said he would fill out and submit the application to WDR.

Wendy Sherrer reported there will be an open to the public Educational Forum on Bellingham's Blacktail Deer Population & No Deer Feeding Ordinance on Monday, March 5, 7-9pm at City Hall. COB, WDFW and Whatcom Humane Society will be there.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Newsletter: Send newsletter articles to Barbara Perry.

Membership: Sam Lockwood reported there are currently 36 members. He shared ideas for increasing HVNA membership and gathered ideas from board members. Sam and Bobbie will work on updating the membership email list which is on Mail Chimp.

HVNA Website and Social Media: Jake updated the website and posted past HVNA minutes on the site.

Tree, Trails and Streets: It was reported John Hymas planted two new trees along Mill Ave.

The Southside Community Meal will be Sunday, February 18th, 5:00 – 6:00pm at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church at 1720 Harris Ave. Everyone is welcome! Wendy handed out posters to post.

Housing/YIMBY 2 Build Small Live Large – Wendy Sherrer gave an update on the one day conference which will be held April 14, 2018 at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. In progress is a 5-minute video and a booklet of examples of strategies for Build Small – Live Large. The keynote speaker and workshop topics are being finalized. Kulshan CLT has offered to have their Tiny Home demo at the event.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by HVNA Secretary, Monica Aebly.