Happy Valley Neighborhood Association (HVNA) Monthly Board Meeting 8-13-2018 Minutes

Meeting called to order 7:10pm.

Present: Hue Beattie, Bobbi Vollendorf, Monica Aebly, Richard "Sully" Sullivan, John Hymas, Wendy Scherrer, Alex McLean, Jake Charlton, Sam Lockwood. **Guests:** Jeni Cottrell.

Treasurer Report: Bobbi Vollendorf reported WECU savings balance \$474, checking \$1,309, tree fund \$203, Whatcom Foundation Project Neighborly grant for Build Small Live Large \$58, (there is \$160 left from the Community Food Co-Op's \$300 donation).

Approved Minutes of July 9, 2018 HVNA Board meeting as submitted.

New Mayor's Neighborhood Advisor Committee (MNAC) Representative for Happy Valley Neighborhood: Wendy said Ray Dellecker resigned last month from the HVNA Board and as MNAC Representative. After discussion of MNAC Representatives the HVNA Board unanimously approved Bobbie Vollendorf as the new MNAC Rep and Jake Charlton as the Alternate.

New HVNA Board member nomination of Jeni Cottrell was approved. Welcome Jeni.

Report on August 12 Annual Southside Community Cookout: Sam Lockwood reported \$200 dollars in donations were collected which were given to Our Savior's Lutheran Church, and 3 new people signed up to be HVN members. The event was a huge success with more attendee than last year. Wendy presented the idea, and the HVNA Board agreed, to give Becky Langholz \$120 to help pay for rental of the Bouncy House set up in children's play area during the Cookout.

Hearing Examiner Decisions from July 11: Wendy reported the Ebenal conditional use permit to vacate the right of way at 2715 Mill Ave was approved. The proposed changes to the conditional use permit for the Firehouse PAC was approved with conditions.

Update on Election and Plan for September 16 Candidates Forum: It was decided the candidate forum will begin at 6:00pm and Hue Beattie will lead it. Hue and Wendy will contact candidates.

Living with Wildlife: Wendy presented the idea of having a south neighborhood wildlife information forum in October involving the Dept of Fish & Wildlife, Whatcom Humane Society, City of Bellingham, and other agencies. Several board members were interested in perusing the idea, and Wendy volunteered to contact the agencies and report back at the September HVNA Board meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Newsletter: Barbara Perry was not present but sent due dates for the September newsletter - Aug. 21 **Membership:** Sam Lockwood reported 3 new HVN members signed up at the Cookout on August 12.

HVNA Website and Social Media: Jake Charlton said nothing new to report.

Tree, Trails and Streets: John Hymas said he will put a notice in the newsletter that people wanting street trees should contact him. Monica reported the next Tree Keepers meeting is August 27, 5:30-6:30pm at the Public Market Bldg. **Next Southside Community Meal** will be September 16, the Candidates Forum.

Next HVNA Board meeting will be September 10, 7:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted by HVNA Secretary Monica Aebly.