

**Happy Valley Neighborhood Association (HVNA)**  
**Monthly Board Meeting & General Meeting January 14, 2019 Minutes**

**Meeting called to order 7:05pm.**

**Present:** Alex McLean, Hue Beattie, Bobbi Vollendorf, Monica Aebly, Richard “Sully” Sullivan, Jim Spaich, John Hymas, Wendy Scherrer, Jake Charlton, Sam Lockwood, Jeni Cottrell, Adam Wilkinson. **Guests:** Kerry Johnson, Judy Perry, Daniel Kerpel, District Representative Michael Lilliquist, Happy Valley Firemen Brian Nardella, Tom Lagestee, and Brian Flannelly.

**Treasurer Report:** Bobbi Vollendorf reported WECU savings balance \$976. Checking \$888. Tree Fund \$660. She is in the process of updating Happy Valley Neighborhood Association’s Washington State non-profit status for 2019.

**Minutes of December 10, 2018 HVNA Board meeting:** Approved with the correction, the Southside Community Meal is January 20, 2019.

**2019 HVNA Board Election of Officers:** It was moved approved: Alex McLean–President, Hue Beattie–Vice President, Bobbi Vollendorf–Treasurer, Sam Lockwood–Secretary.

**2019 HVNA Board Election of Committees:** It was moved approved: Newsletter-Barbara Perry & Alex McLean, Membership-Adam Wilkinson, HVNA website-Jake Charlton, Trees, trails and streets-John Hymas, Housing-Wendy Sherrer, Southside Community Meals-Wendy Sherrer, Padden Creek Alliance-Alex McLean.

**Grant Opportunity: 2019 Project Neighborly Grant of the Whatcom Community Foundation (due February 15).**

**Grant Opportunity: 2019 Small & Simple Grant of City of Bellingham(due March 30).**

Bobbi presented her idea of rain barrels and solar panels for Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church as improvements that would benefit the whole Happy Valley neighborhood. Jeni Canttrell presented her ideas including Emergency Preparedness training for the Happy Valley neighborhood, and neighborhood vegetable gardens education. Wendy presented her idea of supporting Happy Valley’s 2010 Green Infrastructure Plan that includes Connelly Creek Nature Area Plan and Padden Creek. John Hymas presented his idea of water gardens and street trees. A Steering Committee including Wendy, Bobbi, John and Jeni was formed to work on the grant proposals.

**Old Fairhaven Parkway/SR 11 Issues Meeting:** Wendy reported the meeting will be held March 18 at Fairhaven Public Library. Bring any questions and concerns to the next HVNA Board meeting on February 11<sup>th</sup>.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Newsletter:** Winter 2018 Newsletter was distributed. Appreciations on the new design.

**Membership:** Sam Lockwood is working on getting more members.

**HVNA Website:** Jake Charlton said nothing new to report.

**Tree, Trails and Streets:** John said it is time to prune fruit trees.

**Housing:** Wendy shared general information about housing in Bellingham.

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS:** Next Southside Community meal will be January 20, 2019, at Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church.

**Next HVNA Board meeting:** February 11, 7:00 pm, at Millworks Cohousing. Social meet and greet begins 6:30pm.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.**

Respectfully submitted by HVNA Secretary Monica Aebly.