

**Happy Valley Neighborhood Association (HVNA)**  
**Monthly Board Meeting December 10, 2018 Minutes**

**Meeting called to order 7:00pm.**

**Present:** Alex McLean, Hue Beattie, Bobbi Vollendorf, Monica Aebly, Richard “Sully” Sullivan, Aaron Walters, John Hymas, Wendy Scherrer, Barbara Perry, Jake Charlton, Sam Lockwood, Jeni Cottrell.

**Treasurer Report:** Bobbi Vollendorf reported WECU savings balance \$475. Checking \$935. Tree Fund \$492.

**Minutes of November 12, 2018 HVNA Board meeting** approved with correction that Jake Charlton was present.

**Happy Valley Neighborhood Board for 2019.** All Board members present at the December 10 meeting said they were willing to remain on the Board. The Board decided the HVNA General Meeting and election of Board members will be January 14, 2019, 7:00pm – 8:30pm at Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church after the Southside Community Meal.

**Membership.** The Board talked about how to promote HVNA and gain members. Sam presented the idea of having HVNA Board meetings at different locations around Happy Valley. The Board said that was done in the past and was received positively. The Board decided the February HVNA Board meeting would be held at Millworks Cohousing and Sam will check with them.

**Housing.** Wendy reported the Whatcom Community Foundation’s Project Neighborly 2019 grant application is now available online and the deadline is February 15. After discussing a wide range of ideas the Board decided people should bring their grant proposals to the January 14, 2019 HVNA General Meeting for Board review.

**Southside Community Meal:** Wendy sent thank you notes to everyone who helped in 2018. Next meal will be January 20, 2019, 5:00pm – 6:30pm at Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church. Volunteers are needed to help cook meals in 2019. Please let Wendy know if you can volunteer.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Newsletter:** Alex showed the Board the newsletter masthead he is working on. Barbara requested people not submit “locked” documents, nor huge files of images. December 15 is the print date.

**Membership:** Sam reported one new member.

**HVNA Website and Social Media:** Jake said all the HVNA Board meeting minutes are posted on the website.

**Tree, Trails and Streets:** John Hymas reported the December 8th Happy Valley tree planting party was a success where volunteers of all ages, from children to seniors planted, staked and mulched 8 trees. John said he will be demonstrating how to prune the arborvitae at Larrabee School for school district maintenance staff.

**Housing:** Alex shared information about Urban Villages, 1/3 of new housing is in areas designated as Urban Villages.

**Next HVNA Board meeting** will be January 14, 7:00 pm, Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church. This will be the General Meeting and election of Board members for 2019.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.**

Respectfully submitted by HVNA Secretary Monica Aebly.