

York Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting Minutes
Wed., May 13, 2015
7pm at Garden St. United Methodist Church
The meeting was preceded by a pasta supper.

President Lisa Anderson called the meeting to order at 7pm.

I. **Stormwater Pollution & Prevention** – educational presentation.

Emily (Johnson) Hegarty, the City Environmental Design and Education Coordinator, was introduced and presented an information about storm water, clean water for neighborhoods, and prevention of polluted runoff. She explained what the city does and what citizens can do. Check out: cob.org/stormwater, fixcarleaks.org, naturallyardcare.org, and cob.org/scooppoop.org. Bill Riley, Stormwater Manager, was also present.

II. **CPTED – Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design** – Officer Eric Osterkamp. Bellingham Police Dept.

Officer Osterkamp presented a PowerPoint presentation about an evaluation that he, Officer Dante Alexander and two members of the Planning Dept. , Chris Koch and Lindsey Kershner, conducted at Laurel, Franklin, and Rock Hill parks earlier this year. His primary emphasis was on York's two parks: Franklin and Rock Hill. While Franklin Park got high marks, Rock Hill was shown to be lacking in many features that would help to reduce crime. Lesley Bryson, Parks Design and Development Manager, and Rae Edwards, Parks Volunteer Coordinator, were also present.

The controversy about the strip of tree and shrub plantings along the freeway wall was discussed: Who owns this strip and who should maintain it, Parks or Dept. of Transportation?

It was agreed that the YNA Board would initiate a Rock Hill Park Task Force to follow-up on issues with the Parks Dept. and Police Dept.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Anne Mackie, secretary