

**York Neighborhood Association  
General Meeting Minutes  
January 11, 2017 7pm  
at Garden St. Methodist Church**

The meeting was preceded by a chili supper at 6:30pm

President Don Hilty-Jones called the meeting to order at 7pm

**I. Election of 2017 Board**

**MOTION: 2017.1.11.1 Anne Mackie moved and it was seconded to accept the following people as nominees for the 2017 Board:** Cory Anderson, Don Hilty-Jones, Ben Larson, Jean Layton, Anne Mackie, Leigh McDiarmid, Kim Niederhauser, Kim Owen, Audrey Roberts, Mark Schofield, Tom Scott, Mark Sherman, Edward Tabor. The motion passed with no objections. Officers will be elected at the Board's first meeting, Wed. Feb. 8,, 7pm at GSUMC.

**II. Guest Speakers: Michael Lilliquist, President, City of Bellingham City Council; Barry Buchanan and Todd Donovan, Council Council members, District 1**

Mr. Lilliquist addressed a few of the city's issues for 2017 which included the need to improve communication between the public and the council; level of service issues; consideration of becoming a "Fourth Amendment City" to address concerns about sanctuary and security for non-citizens; water resources; and solutions for the jail.

Mr. Buchanan and Mr. Donovan addressed the issue of legal water availability and the recent State Supreme Court ruling and jail solutions. Presentations were followed by a Question & Answer session.

**III. Water Metering in York**

Eric Johnston, Asst. Public Works Director, and Anitra Accetturo, Water Conservation Program Coordinator, presented information about the installation of water meters for the York Neighborhood, which will begin in late February, early March. Residents should look for the upcoming announcements in the mail and the blue stakes in their yards placed where the meters will be dug.

**IV. Police Report with Officer Eric Osterkamp**

Officer Osterkamp invited input on issues that citizens would like the police to address at future meetings. It was suggested that Police Chief Cook should be invited to attend a future YNA meeting; it has been a year since the Chief attended.

The meeting adjourned at 9pm

*Minutes submitted by Anne Mackie, Secretary/Treasurer*

*Minutes approved by the Board, February 1,2017*