

York Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting, May 10, 2017, 7pm
at Garden St. United Methodist Church
MINUTES

Attendees: Kim Owen, Board President; Cory Anderson, Treasurer; Audrey Roberts, Rock Hill Park Steward; Mark Schofield, Harriet Spanel Park Steward; Leigh McDiarmid; Jean Layton; Kim Niederhauser; Don Hilty-Jones; Mark Sherman
Board Members Absent: Anne Mackie (excused), Tom Scott
Guests: Officer Eric Osterkamp, BPD; Julia Burns, WWU Campus Community Coalition; Jim Owen, Lisa Anderson

1. Approval of Minutes for April 12 Board Meeting:

Minutes were not available but will be reviewed and approved via email.

2. Discussion of possible change to future YNA board meeting dates from Wednesdays to Tuesdays

The consensus was that YNA Board meetings will be scheduled on Wednesdays. Officer Eric Osterkamp suggested contacting Vanessa Blackburn (Bellingham Communications Director) to possibly set up a city-wide calendar of neighborhood association events. Action: Don Hilty-Jones.

3. Finalizing Dumpster Day plans

- YNA Dumpster Day will be Saturday, June 10.
- Julia Burns (Campus Community Coalition Coordinator) presented info about WWU Move-Out Madness, scheduled for June 9. There will be 3 dumpster locations, including 1 at Harriet Spanel Park. Additionally, students can arrange pick up by appointment after the scheduled dumpster availability.
- Julia also shared plans for a series of service projects on the first weekend of Fall quarter, Saturday, September 30, and asked for requests or suggestions for projects. Planning will continue through the summer.
- Julia also shared information about a brochure for students on living in neighborhoods, including information on being good neighbors, sharing contact info, etc. Kim N. suggested including information on tenant's rights.

4. June 14 General Meeting

- The deadline for responses to the 2017 YNA Survey is June 6, and results will be presented at the June 14 meeting. The top 3 or 4 concerns will be the subject of discussion at the meeting, with follow-up at the Fall meeting.
- Officer Osterkamp suggested that a BPD officer could present a program about current concerns with drug use, for example, fentanyl and heroin.
- Lisa Anderson suggested the Samish Way Traffic Study and an update on the former Aloha Motel site as possible topics.
- We will need a sign up for the salad bar ingredients for the meeting.

5. ADU Discussion

Anne was absent. Jean gave a brief summary of her impressions of the Happy Valley presentation. The presentation focused on a greenfield project so was not directly applicable to an existing neighborhood. The neighborhood is largely multi-family, so ADUs would represent a very small difference in housing in the neighborhood. The presentation also did not address parking issues.

6. Committee Reports

- Treasurer report from Cory Anderson (attached).
- Rock Hill Park report from Park Steward Audrey Roberts: no new information.
- Harriet Spanel Park report from Park Steward Mark Schofield: Park dedication date is not yet set. Basketball hoop replacement is not yet up; there is a suggestion that the surface may need restoration. The suggestion was made to contact the City to book the block party trailer for the dedication ceremony when the date is confirmed.

7. Other Announcements

- Officer Osterkamp said that BPD will be contacting households known for previous party/nuisance complaints this Friday afternoon (May 12th). He also described a party pre-registration program that provides contact info for each registered party to facilitate a quick response if complaints are made.

Motion 2017.05.10.1: Jean Layton made the motion that the neighborhood picnic will be on Saturday August 26; seconded by Cory Anderson. Approved.

Action item: Lisa Anderson and Audrey Roberts will coordinate planning for the picnic and reserve the City's block party trailer.

Meeting adjourned at 9pm. Minutes submitted by Leigh Mcdiarmid.
Minutes approved 7-27-2017

Attachment: Treasurer's Report May 10, 2017