

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**York Neighborhood Association General Meeting**  
**March 11, 2015, 7pm**  
At Garden St. United Methodist Church

Following the Taco Dinner, which fed 40-50 people, President Lisa Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

1. **Terry Bornemann**, City Councilman Ward 5 representative, was introduced. The southern section of York Neighborhood is part of Ward 5.
2. **Bellingham Police Officer Eric Osterkamp** reported on recent graffiti tagging incidents and gas thefts. He encouraged people to call 911 to report thefts even if they seem small or insignificant. Using 911 is the best means to get information to the Police Dept.
3. **Guest Speaker, Dave Blake**, with NW Clean Air Agency, presented an educational program on Indoor Air Quality issues.
4. **Paige Anderson, Rock Hill Park Steward**, presented information about recent park projects and work parties of 40 – 50 people each that have removed invasive plants on the open hillside in the park. She encouraged people to attend the next work party sponsored by Parks & Rec, May 8, 10am to noon and to help with weeding in the Butterfly Garden.
5. **Announcements:**
  - The Opportunity Council is offering a free service to provide homeowners of single-family or mobile homes with assistance in stabilization of lead paint.
  - Franklin Park Earth Day Celebration will be held Sat., April 18, 9am to Noon. Tools and refreshments to be provided.
  - The City is hosting an Open House, Tues. March 17, 6 to 8pm at the Squalicum Boathouse, to discuss revisions to the Comprehensive Plan.
  - The City Council approved a long-awaited Rental Safety, Registration and Inspections Ordinance at its meeting March 9.
  - Samish Way: The City is moving forward on condemnation and property acquisition of the Aloha Motel. A workshop on Urban Village planning was held March 10, which Lisa and Cory Anderson attended.
  - The YNA Board is considering conducting an online and hard-copy survey to collect information about neighborhood planning issues, input on what the Board should be focusing on, and general feedback about neighbors' concerns.
  - The YNA Board is discussing how to collect addresses of illegal housing units in the neighborhood to gain a better understanding of neighborhood density.
6. **Treasurer's Report**, presented by Don Hilty-Jones: Total funds are \$5741. Designated Accounts are: General Funds \$3591; Historic Signs \$20; Historic Preservation \$130; Rock Hill Park \$1,000; and Franklin Park \$1,000.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

*Minutes submitted by Anne Mackie, Secretary*