

North Highline Unincorporated Area Council

Minutes 2-3-2011

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Council Members Present: Pat Price, Ron Johnson, Christine Waldman, Barbara Dobkin, Richard Miller, Stephen Porter, Jessica Stoneback, Heidi Johnson, Rebecca Lopes, Doug Harrell
Absent: Liz Giba and Patrick Mosley

Approval of Agenda: Agenda accepted

Approval of Minutes: approved the Minutes of December 2, & December 16, 2010; and January 6, 2011

Public Announcements: per Pat, the N H Fire Commissioners, meet here at 6 pm on Tuesday, February 15th; and should include discussion of the \$43,000 inheritance left the district by a long time woman resident. Heidi announced that Bernie & Boys Supermarket will be closing. Pat added that the NAPA store on 16th in White Center has closed.

Mike Martin, City of Burien: The Public Safety Bill that Burien has sponsored to allow formation of Public Safety Districts is to be considered by our State Legislature as Senate Bill 5155, and House Bill 1230. He expects that these bills will not pass until next year, but would be needed before Burien could establish its own city Police Dept. Gill Loring asked about the timing of potential Annexation issue for Seattle to place it on a ballot this November. Mike explained that if Seattle doesn't act by May 1st, there will not be enough time to do it this year.

King County Sheriff's Office, Capt. Joseph Hodgson: Captain Hodgson had to leave before he could speak to us. Ron shared that four vehicles had their windows broken in his neighborhood, and the sheriff's office said there were others in the community around the same timing.

ECOSS - Powerful Neighborhoods Program, representative Jackeline Lopez: explained about their program taking new energy efficient light bulbs, and water saving aerators to residents of the White Center and Boulevard Park communities for this program funded by Seattle City Light.

King County Parks, Dan Perzynsky: is the new Evergreen District Manager, who replaced Sam Whitman. Dan explained that he has a full time painter back and four full time staff people, plus some seasonal help. He expects this will allow them to get to graffiti sooner, and handle other needed work. They have replaced the railings, and broken lights on the 98th Street Corridor that had been vandalized. They will be working to get the lighting, and some cameras in place for Steve Cox's Memorial at SC Memorial Park, and will be working on rehab of the Tennis Courts at SCMP. Other Parks personnel were present and added information about the Flag Pole for SCMP. It would cost \$10,000 to \$20,000 to position the flag from the King Dome, so KC

Parks will supply a smaller flag pole, more in line with the size used at other community parks. They will fund the \$2,000 to \$3,000 that this will cost. They reported on Lakewood Park (Hicks Lake) that soon TAF will have a groundbreaking ceremony at the Park, and some of the Disc-Golf course needs to be re-aligned to remove from the path of TAF's groundbreaking area. There are still plans to have a trail installed around the south side of the lake, with the moving of the property line fence onto school property to accommodate the foot path. There will be a fully handicap accessible path around the lake.

King County DDES, John Starbard, Director: accompanied by Chris Rickerts, who supervises Code Enforcement, stated they have made good strides in the past year, and listed some accomplishments. John provided an update on the Club Evo and explained what would need to take place for a potential new owner to bring any business to that building. Our local Code Enforcement officer, Al Tijerina, said he has spoken to potential investors interested in the building that formerly housed Club Evo, and believes they will do things right if they buy it. He reported on a few properties that council members had asked about. Then he reminded everyone to call the Sheriff's office to have vehicles parked illegally tagged. He explained that the county has over 400 cases in the abatement (legal) process, which takes place after letters and warning notices have been issued.

Treasurer: Ron reported we have our new 2011 budget of \$1200 in place. He has paid \$29.94 for our Web Hosting Fee, leaving a balance of \$1170.06; and expects to receive the bill for our PO Box rent soon.

Correspondence: none to report.

Committee Reports: Public Safety – Ron suggested we host a community wide forum with all Block Watch Captains, and other residents, invited. He is waiting for a response from Pam Odegard, the chairperson County Block Watches.

Unfinished Business: President Christine reported on the meeting she attended, with other UAC Presidents and KC Executive Dow Constantine on Feb. 1st. She added that there is no further news yet from the Executive's office about the status of UAC's.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:10 pm Pat Price, Secretary