

**CITY OF SHORELINE
COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS ACTION MINUTES**

May 2, 2012
7:00 p.m.

Shoreline City Hall

COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:

Ballinger – Nancy Moreya, Patty Dooley
Briarcrest – Arthur Peach, Kathy Hall
Echo Lake – Ellen Wood
Hillwood – Afia Menke, Ann Erickson
Innis Arden – June Howard, Judy Allen
Meridian Park – Gretchen Atkinson
North City – Melanie Matway
Richmond Beach – Sheri Ashleman, Jack Malek
Richmond Highlands – Lisa Surowiec

VISITORS PRESENT: Tom Jamieson, Richmond Beach resident; Dave M, Echo Lake resident.

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Rob Beem, Community Services Division Manager; Nora Smith, Neighborhood Coordinator, Rosie O'Brien-Ochs, Neighborhood Coordinator.

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Peach called the meeting to order. Roll was called.

DECISION: The May 2 agenda was approved.

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II. Public Comment

Tom Jamieson, Richmond Beach resident, commented that when he read the executive minutes of the City Council retreat, economic development was highlighted as the number one priority of the Council. Mr. Jamieson noted that the Council Goals published after the retreat used the word sustainability instead of economic development and he wondered why the need to wordsmith. Mr. Jamieson stated his concern was openness of government.

III. Nominating Committee

Judy Allen reported for the nominating committee of Judy Allen, June Howard and Patty Hale. Ms. Allen reported the nominating committee proposed the slate of candidates as:

Jack Malek for Chair

Patty Dooley for Vice Chair

Gretchen Atkinson for Secretary.

Ms. Allen noted that Arthur Peach had finished two years as Chair and therefore had reached his term limit in that position, but would continue on the board as an ex-officio capacity as the past Chair.

IV. Executive Board Elections

Chair Peach asked for nominations from the floor and received none. The slate of candidates proposed by the Nominating Committee was unanimously adopted.

V. Summer Outreach: Task Force Report

Gretchen Atkinson reported for the task force of Gretchen Atkinson, Patty Hale, Judy Allen and Nora Smith which looked summer outreach opportunities. The notes from the task force meeting were distributed with recommendations:

1. Participate in Shoreline Farmer's Market with a Neighborhoods outreach tent, aiming for 4-5 Saturdays, approximately once a month. Goal: have neighborhoods rotate through volunteer staffing, aiming for 2-3 people staffing the tent.
2. Participate in the Celebrate Shoreline Parade with a Council of Neighborhoods marching contingent (note the Board already decided not to have a carnival game tent as it did not meet outreach goals).
3. Do not participate in the Shoreline Arts Festival.

Discussion:

- Recommendations assumes the Council of Neighborhoods Used Book Sale event at Cromwell Park as part of Swingin' Summer Eve.
- Neighborhood Associations will go back and discuss what dates they can commit to staffing. Nora to email schedule and information and neighborhoods to report back at June 6 meeting.
- Nora and Rosie will develop support materials for outreach tent at Farmer's Market.
- It would be great if neighborhood representative recruited a wide variety of participants for the parade including kids, dogs, families.

Sheri Ashleman and Arthur Peach agreed to coordinate CON participation in the Celebrate Shoreline Parade if we can keep it simple. The City will print up give-aways such as the bookmarks with neighborhood website information.

VI. New City Council Goals

Debbie Tarry, Assistant City Manager, reviewed the new 2012-2014 City Council Goals and work plan and provided a handout on the goals. Ms. Tarry reported the goals this year are based on moving us towards the Vision 2029:

- Sustainable neighborhoods – ensuring they are safe and attractive;
- Sustainable environment – preserving our environmental assets and enhancing our built environment so that it protects our natural resources; and
- Sustainable services – supporting quality services, facilities and infrastructure.

Ms. Tarry reviewed the goals and described the related action steps:

Goal 1: Strengthen Shoreline's economic base

Goal 2: Improve Shoreline's utility, transportation and environmental infrastructure

Goal 3: Prepare for two Shoreline light rail stations

Goal 4: Enhance openness and opportunities for community engagement

VII. Neighborhood Coordinator Report

Rob Beem, Community Services Division Manager highlighted the hand out showing the division of duties between Nora Smith, focusing on eastside neighborhoods and Rosie O'Brien-Ochs, focusing on westside neighborhoods, as well as other key duties.

Rosie O'Brien-Ochs, new half-time Neighborhoods Coordinator, introduced herself and provided some highlights of her experience.

Nora Smith, Neighborhood Coordinator reported on several items:

- A public invitation to meet Police Chief candidates on Tuesday, May 8
- Two emergency preparedness events: May 5 Preparedness Fair at Central Market and May 10 Neighborhood Preparedness and Communication Training

VIII. New Business

Chair Peach reported that the Board has discussed and plans to try recognizing activities of Council of Neighborhoods representatives outside of neighborhood activities. Judy Allen is going to do some research and provide information to the Board.

VIII. Neighborhood Reports

Neighborhood representatives reported on events in their neighborhoods, including Ballinger upcoming general meeting and elections, Richmond Beach Festival May 12, Meridian Park work parties, Ridgecrest Garden meeting, and eastside multi-neighborhood garage sale on June 2, and Briarcrest Anniversary Party.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:10 pm.