

**CITY OF SHORELINE  
COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS MINUTES**

May 1, 2013  
7:00 p.m.

Shoreline City Hall

**COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:**

Ballinger – Patty Dooley, Nancy Moreyra  
Echo Lake – Barbara Guthrie  
Highland Terrace – Krista Tenney  
Hillwood – Ann Erickson  
Innis Arden – June Howard, Lee Lageschulte  
Meridian Park – Gretchen Atkinson, Suzie Burton  
Parkwood – Dana Carroll  
Richmond Beach – Jack Malek, Sheri Ashleman  
Ridgecrest – Stefanie Gendreau

**VISITORS PRESENT:** Councilmember Will Hall; Sergeant Katie Larsen, Shoreline Police; Janis Trowbridge-Howes, Ridgecrest resident.

**CITY STAFF PRESENT:** Rob Beem, Community Services Division Manager; Nora Smith, Neighborhood Coordinator.

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

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

DECISION: The April 3 minutes were approved.

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**II. Public Comment**

Dwight Stevens from Shoreline Veterans Association announced the group is planning the annual Veterans Day celebration at monthly meetings on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 10:00 am at City Hall Room 301. Mr. Stevens asked neighborhood representatives to spread the word about planning getting started for a new veteran's memorial site in Shoreline. The group is looking for additional people to work on the concept; you don't have to be a veteran to be on the committee.

Gretchen Atkinson announced the regular meetings of Shoreline Knitter's Group at Haggen's on Thursdays from 1:00-3:30 pm and distributed a flyer encouraging contributions to the drop boxes at City Hall and Haggen's.

**III. CON Final Logo Presentation**

Chair Malek thanked Janis Trowbridge-Howe, the winner of the Council of Neighborhoods logo contest. Ms. Trowbridge-Howe is a 25 year resident of Ridgecrest neighborhood, and has been engaged in a variety of ways with the arts in Shoreline. Chair Malek presented Ms. Trowbridge-Howe with an honorarium check for \$250 for winning the contest.

**IV. Crime Prevention and Crime Analysis**

Sergeant Katie Larsen, head of the Criminal Investigations Unit for Shoreline Police, provided a variety of information about crime in Shoreline. Sergeant Larsen's report included:

- Shoreline has very low crime rates for the general area.
- There was a rise in 2012 in residential and commercial burglaries. 28 people were arrested for burglary in 2012.
- 40% of burglaries are unforced entries, often in daylight; spread the message to lock windows and doors.

- Spread message to call 911 to report any unusual behavior – calls from residents give Police a legal right to contact suspects.

Sergeant Larsen also reported there will be some changes to the Block Watch program. Six patrol officers who work the second shift will be providing Block Watch training; call Administrative Sergeant Steve Sowers to schedule at 801-2710. The goal is to get more Block Watches underway and provide more information to Block Watch Captains.

Anyone can get information from Police by “liking” the Shoreline Police Facebook page or subscribing to Shoreline Police tweets.

## **V. Councilmember Update**

Visiting Councilmember Will Hall provided some updates on recent City Council topics, including:

- The City Council added a fifth goal this year because of the uptick in burglaries: to promote and enhance the City’s safe community and neighborhood programs and initiatives.
- Light Rail planning is underway and will transform the City; help spread the word about the upcoming May 22 Open House at City Hall.
- The Council voted 5-1 to approval a plastic bag ban with implementation in February 2014.

## **VI. CON Board Elections**

Nomination Committee members Jack Malek and Arthur Peach introduced a slate of candidates: Gretchen Atkinson for Chair, Patty Dooley for Vice Chair and June Howard for Secretary. The slate was unanimously elected.

## **VII. CON Summer Event Planning**

Nora Smith, Neighborhood Coordinator reported:

- Barb Levy from Parkwood has volunteered to help plan the Used Book Sale and we are looking for someone to plan with her – Nora will call Stefanie Gendreau from Ridgecrest.
- Nora to send out an email soliciting volunteers for the Used Book Sale, the outreach booth at Celebrate Shoreline and Shoreline Farmer’s Market.
- Gretchen Atkinson, June Howard and Patty Dooley agreed to meet with Nora to plan the summer outreach booth details, to be used at Shoreline Farmer’s Market and Celebrate Shoreline.

## **VIII. CON Values – Presentation of Final Action Steps**

Chair Jack Malek reviewed the progress of the group over the last year: development of a new Mission and Values, Action Steps to implement the Values, a new logo to reflect the Mission and Values, and the tag line “Building Community.”

Chair Malek suggested the new Council of Neighborhoods Board will be planning the implementation of the Action Items the whole group developed.

## **IX. Announcements and New Business**

Patty Dooley reported that after Title Officer Paula Harrigan provided a list of 95 new homes in the City for one quarter, four neighborhoods responded they would like information packets to distribute to new residents (Meridian Park, Briarcrest, Ridgecrest and Ballinger). Contact Patty Dooley if you would like the resource information. Gretchen Atkinson reported that it was fun to deliver packets and meet new neighbors.

## **X. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:00 pm.