

**CITY OF SHORELINE
COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS MINUTES**

March 5, 2014
7:00 pm

Shoreline City Hall

COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:

Ballinger – Nancy Moreyra
Briarcrest – Ian Taylor
Echo Lake – Ellen Wood, Jay Sundahl
Highland Terrace - Krista Tenney
Hillwood – Ann Erickson
Innis Arden – June Howard, Lee Lageschulte
Meridian Park – Gretchen Atkinson, Diane Mickunas-Ries
North City - Nan Skinner
Richmond Beach – David Bannister, Sheri Ashleman
Richmond Highlands - Lisa Surowiec
Ridgecrest – Patty Hale, Stephanie Gendreau, Cecily Kaplan

VISITORS PRESENT: Mayor Shari Winstead, Richmond Highlands resident Pete Gerhard

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Rob Beem, Community Services Manager; Nora Smith and Rosie O'Brien-Ochs, Neighborhood Coordinators; Katie Moriarty, IT Manager, Joan Horn, Web Developer

I. Poem, Call to Order and Roll Call

Board member June Howard read a poem about neighborhoods.
Chair Atkinson called the meeting to order.

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Review Minutes

DECISION: The March 5 agenda was approved.
DECISION: February 5 meeting minutes were approved.

IV. City of Shoreline Website and How to Navigate It

Joan Herrick, City of Shoreline Web Developer, presented an overview of how www.shorelinewa.gov is organized and stated the website currently has 650 pages and 15,000 documents on it. Ms. Herrick showed a variety of mechanisms for navigating the web; she highlighted some recent changes such as new flow diagrams of the development process.

Ms. Herrick demonstrated search functions and showed that there is now the ability to filter the search results. She also said that putting quotes around word(s) will narrow the search to only those items with the word(s) spelled exactly that way. Ms. Herrick stated the website is always being improved and invited attendees to email or call her with comments or questions.

V. Councilmember Update

Mayor Shari Winstead provided updates on some recent Council activity:

- A Shoreline delegation visited Washington D.C. to highlight Shoreline's need for funding for infrastructure improvements in our future work connecting the community through transit.

- The delegation also highlighted the need to maintain Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding which supports human services in Shoreline; currently there are cuts proposed which would affect the City.
- The City has submitted its scoping comments to Snohomish County as part of the environmental review of the Pt. Wells project.

VI. Neighborhood Coordinators Report

Nora Smith, Neighborhood Coordinator, announced:

- March Neighborhoods Enews has just gone out - sign up at shorelinewa.gov/alert.
- Save the date: April 15 is the Volunteer Soiree and we'll need your list of volunteers.
- Save the date: April 30 Placemaking Workshop to engage residents in thinking about activities, improvements and connections to others and the neighborhood they live in.

Rosie O'Brien-Ochs, Neighborhood Coordinator, announced

- A Housing Forum on March 20 to discuss affordable housing needs in Shoreline.
- Talk to us about your Mini-Grant ideas.

VII. Board Report

Chair Atkinson stated that we had heard last December that Hopelink does not get enough food donations from Shoreline to support the need for food in Shoreline. The Board discussed the idea of neighborhoods looking for new ways to support the foodbank and raise awareness of the need.

Attendees mentioned some existing opportunities that could be piggybacked: Food Lifeline's summer food frenzy, Hopelink's drive to end summer hunger, and a collection program through libraries.

Neighborhoods volunteered the following ideas:

Innis Arden - will take to March 18 Board meeting to discuss.

Richmond Beach - will partner with Innis Arden on existing November collection at coffee shop.

Highland Terrace and Westminster - Krista Tenney will explore a one time collection event.

Ridgecrest - will continue existing collections with Cafe Aroma from Thanksgiving to Christmas, and at ice cream social in November.

Echo Lake - will continue food collection at summer picnic.

Ms. Atkinson stated that neighborhoods could work directly with Kevin Osborne at Hopelink to get collection boxes, lists of needed items and posters.

VII. Neighborhood Roundtable

Neighborhood representatives reported on a variety of activities:

- Innis Arden Rummage Sale is March 14-15
- Ridgecrest is partnering with Parks Department to start a new Million Step Challenge at Paramount Park in May; walkers can use paper counters on site or log laps online.
- Highland Terrace and Westminster have partnered on two meetings to learn about the upcoming changes at Aurora Square with the CRA designation.
- Meridian Park has some new leadership and is meeting monthly at Walcott's.
- Echo Lake recently discussed the topic of what to do about rats.

- Briarcrest is planning the annual Anniversary Party on April 5.
- Richmond Beach is talking about Pt. Wells all the time. The annual Strawberry Festival is the weekend of May 10.
- Ballinger has had speakers about streams and the new North Maintenance Facility adjacent to Bruegger's Bog park.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 pm.