

Whispering Heights/Collingwood Community Association
Board Meeting Minutes
Annual Meeting November 5th 2008

Call to order: 7:15 pm
Adjourned: 9:00 pm

Meeting location: Lewis Creek Community Center

Welcome to Detective Chinn

Bellevue Police Department – Detective Chinn gave a great presentation on Identify theft.

Treasurer's report

We have nearly 12,000 in our savings account. Expenditures for the year were \$6500 for events and landscaping.

Call for Block Captains/Emergency Planning Coordinators

Call for new board members

City of Bellevue Community workshop Series

Fit & Active Conference – Jan 24th

Great Community Workshop Series 7-9pm @ Bellevue City Hall

- Thurs, Oct 23 Mobilizing, Organizing and Sustaining Strong Neighborhoods
- Thurs, Nov 13 The importance of Communication in Your Neighborhood
- Thurs, Dec 11 The “How-To of neighborhood Projects”
- Thurs, Jan 8 Got Conflict? Make it work for You
- Thurs, Feb 5 Making Your Voice Count: Presenting Your Views to Boards & Commissions
- Thurs, Mar 12 Maintaining the Value & Appearance of Your Neighborhood

Call for enhancement ideas for our neighborhood

- Address painting of curbs for all houses in Whispering Heights and Collingwood
- Lighting of entrances – Would need to be solar powered as there is no electrical access

Open Discussion

Suggestions and discussion from the membership:

- paint the curb addresses only of those who have paid their dues - *Our hope was to create a unified and updated look for our neighborhood, which involves all the houses.*
- have the covenants on the web- *Some covenants are on the web, Keri has spent a lot of time compiling the covenants to an electronic form. We'll try to get them on the website.*
- find a way that neighbors can communicate to ask for help
- frustration regarding yard upkeep throughout the neighborhood - *the board does not get involved in landscaping disputes amongst neighbors. We suggest the city mediation option.*
- frustration regarding lack of traffic enforcement from the city regarding parked cars – *neighbors are calling the city regarding parked cars which get tagged, but there is no follow-up afterwards. This is a city of Bellevue issue. Councilman Conrad Lee was in attendance and suggested neighbors contact him regarding the lack of action and he would look into the matter.*
- We've had a cougar sighted in a neighbor's yard in the heights near the greenbelt and trail
- Our neighborhood has had some vandalism – a motorcycle with a paint gun has been hitting cars and houses in the area.