

Whispering Heights/Collingwood Community Association
Board Meeting Minutes
March 09, 2009

Call to order: 7:15 pm
Adjourned: 8:30 pm

Meeting location: Blaisdell home.

Attendees: Merrick Van Dongen, Gretchan Lindsey, Bob Blaisdell, Will Hargreaves, Keri Kiefer, Hua Liu, Tina Dolkiewicz

OLD BUSINESS:

February minutes approved

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Old business not to be covered during this meeting unless time permits:

- Call for Block Captains/Emergency Planning Coordinators
- Potential annexation of Baker's View neighborhood – Jon
 - Survey of neighborhood
 - Designation of someone to deliver Whispers
- Highlighting Whispering Heights & Collingwood
 - Articles in Bellevue Reporter, other publications
 - Website design

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Initial Events for 2009

- **Coffee Social** - Wednesday March 18th
Chair: Merrick

The Lewis Creek community building is booked from 6:30-9:30.

Merrick has arranged for coffee from Starbucks, will look for his name tags and will bring the dues box and copies of the block maps

Keri will arrange with Michelle to get the A boards placed.

Gretchan will purchase drinks and bread/cookies

Hui will bring cookies

Our guest speaker will be detective Michael Chiu. He'll be speaking on the topics of Block Watch program and crime trends. He is planning to speak for about 45 minutes.

Wally Larson will be there to speak about the block watch and block captain program that had been in place for our neighborhood.

We will try to gain interest in volunteers for block watch/block captains.

- **Egg Hunt** – Saturday April 11th
Chair: Heather McCrone hansli@juno.com 425-643-0948
Liaison: Gretchan, Keri can assist

Egg stuffing will be on Sunday April 5th 1:00-4:00 at Heather's house. Volunteers to help stuff are Merrick, Keri, Gretchan and Tina. Gretchan will send Heather the names and emails so she can send out a reminder as the date gets closer.

Keri will contact Michelle about A boards.

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- **Spring Clean-up** – April 18th

Chair: Michelle Cash m.cash@comcast.net H: 425-401-8517 C: 206:276-7924
Liaison: Michelle Smith

Work areas are the same as last year.

Volunteers are needed to captain work areas.

Michelle really needs people to contact her ahead of time so she can put people where they are needed.

2. End of summer picnic coordination with Horizon Crest?

Michelle isn't here – hold until next meeting

3. 2009 Whispers

Thank you for everyone's submissions

Next cutoff deadline is June 6th and handoff is June 20th

Topics will be discussed at April meeting

We're adding a kid's corner

4. Maintenance of WHCCA entrances and replacement plants

Michelle Smith is the new landscape liaison

We'll get a new Contract/proposal

Michelle or Mike needs to give a written termination notice to the current landscape company.

5. Block Watch Program

The group had considerable discussion regarding the block watch and block captain program. We need to determine what the duties and expectations are for a block captain before attempting to recruit new captains. We also need to determine who the existing block captains are.

Merge emergency kit and block captains list into one if possible

Get individual block maps to help drive community engagement and block watch familiarity

6. Updates of WHCCA website

Website is in great need of updates. Gretchan is having software problems but will update the site soon.

7. Using WHCCA funds to pay for or offset costs for selected home improvements.

It was proposed that the community pay for neighbors in need of assistance in upkeep (due to illness, deployment etc...)

We like the idea/spirit of the idea, but implementing is an issue. We would hope that a more active block watch system will create neighborly actions.

8. Next Community Projects

- Curbside stencil addresses- Merrick will ask Scott van der Hyden if the city has any vendors they can recommend.
- Lights at entrances – We would like to get a bid. Merrick will ask Ron if it would qualify as a NEP project.
- Park improvements

Next Meeting: April 13th – Jon Smith home. If Jon is not available, Gretchan can host

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2009 meeting schedule -Changing the meeting dates to 2nd Monday of the month.

2009 Meeting Schedule		
~ All meetings on 2 nd Monday of the month & begin at 7pm ~		
Meeting Date	Location	Address
January 13 th	Kiefer Home	16208 SE 46 th Way
February 9 th	Smith Home	16200 SE 46 th Way
March 9 th	Blaisdell Home	15911 SE 47 th Ct.
April 13 th	Tbd – Smith or Lindsey	
May 11 th	Smith Home	16200 SE 46 th Way
June 8 th	Van Dongen Home	4660 159 th Ave SE
July 13 th	Liu Home	4542 157 th Ave SE
August 10 th	Lindsey Home	15422 SE 47 th ST
September 7 th	Keifer Home	16208 SE 46 th Way
October 12 th	Lindsey Home	15422 SE 47 th ST
November 10 th	Lewis Creek	5808 Lakemont Blvd
December 7 th	Van Dongen Home (holiday party)	4660 159 th Ave SE