

South Beaverton NAC SouthBeavertonNAC@yahoo.com
January 21, 2010 Minutes

Board Attendees: Kathy Banach, Mark Boguslawski.

7:00 PM – Welcome and Introduction – Kathy Banach, Chair, led the meeting.

7:05 PM - Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue (TVF&R) Report www.tvfr.com

- Calls for SBNAC area for the last three months: 95 calls - majority of calls were medical.
- TVF&R blog (blog.tvfr.com) - S.K.I.D. video on blog, plus other important information
- TVF&R met with area apartment managers on how to prevent fires for their buildings.
- Volunteering opportunities - educational events, ride alongs, community academy (24 hours at station 7 AM-7AM)
- Reminder about Earthquake Preparedness/Emergency Preparedness - know where water and gas shut offs are (video on blog to show how to do it), list of what to put in emergency kit, keep car gasoline tank always 1/2 full in case traffic gets heavy during an emergency, 72 hour kit should include: food, water, medicine, first aid, cash, camping supplies, phone with text messaging, old clothes to crawl around in or sleep in, blanket, plus more...) - make sure you can locate the kit in an emergency. Remember if the electricity goes out, the electric garage opener will not work. Assign a meeting place for all family members. If water is needed in an emergency, your water heater water may be used for that purpose.

7:15 PM – Police Report www.beavertonpolice.org

- No police report at this meeting.

7:16 PM – Approval of Minutes from November 19, 2009.
Treasury report: \$2,897.12 in account at time of meeting.
Additions to Agenda: None

7:20 PM – Announcements:

- The South Beaverton NAC meetings will now be every other month: the next meeting is March 18, 2010. Mayor Doyle will be present with the State of the Union address.
- The Historical Society has their own building - they are looking for residents to donate/loan old items of Beaverton's past to display.
- Visioning open meetings will resume again in Spring 2010 to coordinate with topics picked as top priority.
- Numbers to call for emergency situations: (WA County Home Page) www.co.washington.or.us
- WA County Roads: 503-846-7623 M-F: drainage problems on road, potholes, dead animals, street lights, debris in road, signals
- Something in the road on Sat/Sun: non-emergency road service 503-629-0111
- Non-emergency police 503-629-0111
- Abandoned autos 503-350-4058
- Graffiti 503-629-0111
- Sidewalks blocked or branches hanging down 503-526-2270

7:40 PM – Updates on bike path through SBNAC Neighborhood

- I walked the Forest Glen Park bike path and noticed there was trash/litter in the bushes near the 125th section, some parts of the sidewalks cracked from tree roots, no cross street locators, slope at ends of path to cross streets has an edge rather than a flat slope (bumpy for wheelchairs, skateboarders, smaller bikes). There seemed to be sufficient clean up of branches on the sides of the bike path by the City, and larger debris from trees during windy weather. The grates were semi-full with leaves from the Fall season (we will be checking back on that to see if the City cleans this up to keep the creek flowing smoothly).
- Discussion of clean up and improvements included:
- The graffiti was not seen at this time of year, but residents noted that in Summer it starts up again. We will contact City Hall about getting "graffiti notification" signs to post on the fences along the trail. We would encourage those using the path to bring their cell phones and call in any graffiti seen as soon as possible, as to put a timeframe on each occurrence for future patrolling.
- Obtain "trash can locator" signs near 125th so people on the trail know there is a trash can at the 125th intersection to throw their trash away.
- Talk to City about making slopes at cross streets smoother for continuous rides for all.
- Street signs on bike trails to indicate upcoming cross street, or stencil name of street on bike path
- Check into cleanliness of water in creek; water testings; etc. Obtain reports from City if accessible.
- See about starting flowering plant areas along trail that are natural to the area.

Concerns about the Downing Path: the area from 125th onto Greenway Elementary seemed very secluded other than the residents who live in that area. Even though it is cleared on the path, the brush alongside the path seems rather dense and not visible for a distance from 125th through to Greenway Elementary. Although this area is part of the Greenway NAC, I will mention this area to the Chair of that NAC to see if they would like to work with us in getting this cleared back a little more so that visibility and harm from fires in the Summer can be discussed with the City or THPRD (whoever is responsible for cleaning and clearing this area).

We would like to encourage more use of these trails and to obtain a full clear connection to the Greenway trails and throughout the City.

8:40 PM – Library in SW Beaverton (Murray and Scholls)

The library should be opening in May 2010 (as of last notice). No feedback other than where would the patrons park. There is parking in the back of the library (joining parking with 24 Hour Fitness). Some concerns about parking in the store parking lot and taking up spaces for shoppers.

8:50 PM - Meeting adjourned.

Recorder: Kathy Banach

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 18, 2010 7:00PM