

Highland Park Neighborhood Association Meeting
Thursday December 12 2019 at 6:30PM
Highland Middle School Library

6:30PM Adam Gretzinger, Highland Neighborhood NAC Chair, opened the meeting with attendance sign-in request and introductions. Quorum obtained at 6:35pm

6:35PM Tualatin Park and Recreation District, Lorie Leech

Classes : Online Winter registration has begun. Deluxe Passes will be on sell starting January. Passes provide access to fitness classes and other center benefits. On Jan. 11 the Get Fit program begins. Cost is \$15. See details online.

Park and trail improvements: Fanno Creek trail signage improvements are completed and work on the irrigation system started to address drainage issues.

Holiday giving: Warm coat drive is underway are being collected at the THPRD center. The center also has a giving tree with gift tags for those wishing to donate gifts.

Inclement Weather notices: During inclement weather, the status of THPRD closures will be on the THPRD Weather Hotline 503-614-4018

Veteran memorial improvements: The memorial will be undergoing phase III improvements which include ADA adaptations. These are scheduled to be finished in spring of 2020.

Volunteering: THPRD is looking for volunteers. Check online for details

THPRD presentation: Greg Creagel, Natural Resource Specialist will speak at Fir Grove School on a date to be Scheduled in January / February.

7:00 PM City Report, Miles Glowacki; City of Beaverton NAC Coordinator

State of the City: Mayor Doyle will present his synopsis of the state of the city on 1/9/2020 at 7:30AM to 9:30AM. A light breakfast will be served.

Toy Drive: New and unwrapped Toys are being accepted for the City's Toy Drive at the library and city hall until 12/15/19

Night Market: The Holiday Night Market continues through the weekend of December 22nd

State of the City 2020: The mayor will be hosting The State of the City breakfast on January 9th from 7:30-9:30 at the Old Bank of Beaverton building at 15900 SW Regatta Lane.

Sidewalk closures on Allen : Signage requirements have been put in place with removal of the sidewalks in front of the public safety building project.

Safe Routes to School : ADA improvements continue to neighborhood corners. These include new or added ramps with new street overlay and paving. Work in Highland is focusing on Allen and 141st but will include areas throughout the city.

7:15pm- Policing Report, Officer Matt Matias

Crime report: The state crime report indicates crime rates are low. Beaverton reports will be forthcoming.

Holiday precautions: Mind packages during the holidays. "Porch Pirates" commonly monitor deliveries and are ready to act. Alternative drops may be indicated if you are away during an expected delivery.

Report suspicious persons or activity or if you are away for prolonged periods. Police can increase area presence which in itself deters crime. That said UPS and other delivery agencies are in such high demand that they are renting vehicles. They will have some signage but are not painted with company logo. To report concerns call 503-629-0111

Car seat inspection: Kuni Cadillac is hosting a car seat inspection event from 9 to 11AM on December 21st. Remember that appointments can be made in between events with the city police who have qualified inspectors.

Mail theft: Aside from small packages and check fraud and new twist in mail fraud is thieves who are looking for promotional checks which can be “washed” and used to access your personal account. Complaints to your local bank may help them to be more aware of the problem. Theft problems have occurred even with keyed mailboxes.

7::30 Fire Department Report, Lt. Gabely and Crew

This is one of the busiest times for the Fire crews with over 6500 calls this year. 80% of calls this time of year are medical calls. 10% are accident related, remember to be careful of fire hazards which this time of year is relate to Christmas trees, cooking and candles. A NAC member mentions there was a the house fire caused by a lithium battery being charged in our neighborhood. Kudos to the department’s rapid response!

7:35PM- Housing Discrimination Report

The state has released its study conducted by the Fair Housing Council non-profit regarding application discrimination in Oregon. Adam read from the report specific to Beaverton, Hillsboro and some non-incorporated areas of Washington County. The top areas of discrimination were Disability, Nation of origin, and having an alter Social Security number and by source of income. Action planning to follow.

7:40PM – Treasurer’s report.

The balance for November began at \$3433.10. There was \$345.90 turned in for expenses. Expenses for The tree planting event and natural gardening event can be expected for January as well as volunteer hour credits.

7:45PM- Highland NAC Events

November 17th Tree Planting : Reggie reported that 54 trees were planted utilizing 65 volunteers. Three High schools supplied the bulk of volunteers for this event in collaboration with NAC resident volunteers. Ace Hardware was again among our community donors supplying equipment.

Natural Gardening : The first in the 3 part series was held in October and there were 20 attendees. Part 2 will be Monday January 14th. This workshop is on storm water management, pesticides and natural habitat. The final presentation will be on April 13th and cover the popular Backyard Habitat certification program

Leaf Drop event : It was another successful year for the leaf drop event with over 4,000 cu-ft of leaves collected. Leaves are donated to area farms where they are used to manage storm water

NAC signs A call for NAC meeting sign hosts was made. If you would be will to have a meeting sign and put it up and take it down on the Friday before and day after the meetings please contact Adam.

Food pantry The Beaverton Christian Church now has a food pantry. Call the church office for more information

7:55PM - Follow up; Miles Glowacki

Any pedestrian crossing that is affected by construction should safely restricted and have clear signage

The Fair housing report is available

The Beaverdam St. parking area for condo owners is not yet set up and area use is pending development proposals.

The city council plans to review the city charter and the public will be included. The review is likely to include updating of terminology, voter guidelines, and may include overall government policies. The current charter is available online.

As treasurer, Jeff has been added to the bank account and NAC credit card.

8:05 PM - Meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be Thursday February 13th 2020 at 6:30PM at the Highland Middle School. Dates for summer meetings to be determined