

MINUTES

West Hill Cambridge Neighborhood Council Board Meeting

August 20, 2024

Call or Order

Lanae Miller called the meeting of the board to order at 6:53 pm at the Woodmont Library. Dennis and Gaby Hampton were excused. Also attending: Holly Isaman, Dawn Genzlinger, Alex Lepeska, Mark Videen, Kim Wise and Mike Scuderi.

Minutes / Agenda

The Minutes from the May 21, 2024 board meeting were reviewed and approved.

Finance & Grants

The board discussed the status and acquisition of communication grant funds and how they might be used in upcoming communications. There was an idea for securing “advertising partners” to donate for an ad space on the mailer. This practice could bolster the supply for communication project funding.

The board sketched a plan including the following steps:

- Draft a calendar of events for 2025 (Holly will work on a draft based on 2024 activities)
- Plan a mailer to include the calendar and connection to a survey (hopefully to go out before or at the first of the year)
- Get survey ready to launch

Meeting Ideas

In addition to our standard activities, the board felt positive about planning an event like a food truck dinner and include the Mayor (or other leadership staff), as a good draw.

CERT training is upcoming – Mark is attending. Holly will send an email encouraging others to join him for this training. What is learned could make for a future informational meeting.

Communication

Holly has been in contact with members of the West Hill group, now defunct, to see if they wish to surplus their large a-frame signs. This sounds likely, if they can be found. The board believes that this kind of signage is beneficial in communicating activities of the WHCNC. We need to continue to find ways of spreading the word about what the WHCNC is all about and in drawing support and participation from neighbors.

Projects

In discussing the success of the July yard sale event, it is suggested that for future events:

- Create a committee to oversee the event
- Get the word out in a larger variety of ways (use email, website, Facebook and Nextdoor to shoot out date, expectations for participation and use of WHCNC coordinated signage* along with photos and copy of previous event map)
- *Encourage participants to purchase a coordinated location sign that will be designed and secured by the WHCNC
- Get onto the City of Kent weekly newsletter announcement section (if allowed); Holly will find out
- Have committee secure a donation truck for after-sale pick up throughout the neighborhood

Future Meetings

Nothing planned until after the first of the year.

Sound Transit Update

Kim confirmed that the site for the maintenance facility is the Federal Way site where the Christian Faith Center is currently located.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Submitted by: _____
Holly Isaman

Attested by: _____