**NWNW Board Meeting**

**Wednesday, August 11th, 2021**

**5:30 pm**

*Virtual Meeting via Zoom*

**Minutes**

**In Attendance**

**NWNW Review Board:**

Kristi Wuttig, Arlington Heights

Darlene Urban Garrett, Downtown

Carol Chesarek, Forest Park

Tiffany Hammer, Goose Hollow

Gary Berger, Hillside

Richard Barker, Linnton (President)

Steve Pinger, NWDA (Treasurer)

Stan Penkin, Pearl District (VP)

Melanie Billings-Yun, SW Hills

**NWNW Staff:**

Mark Sieber, Executive Director

Anastasia Zurcher, Program Manager

Rhys Ornstein-Hawes, Communications Specialist

**Guests:**

Melissa Healy, Stole Rives attorney, labor and employment law

Allan Classen, NW Examiner

Jim Olsson, Hillside alternate

Joyce del Rosario, SWHRL alternate

Eric Simon, Goose Hollow

Elisa Wickstrom

Linda Ridgway, Everett Micro Lofts, Pearl OT

**5:32 Welcome & Introductions**

**5:36 Approval of Minutes of June 9, 2021—Barker**

Request to delay vote until conversation about recordings of meetings.

**5:40 Community Small Grants—Zurcher**

Zurcher gave a brief overview of Small Grant committee recommendations. Proposals received were in high alignment with grant goals and full funding was recommended for each.

***Motion 2:*** *Penkin moved to award the Small Grant funds as recommended by the committee. Urban Garrett seconds. Unanimous approval.*

**5:50 Use of Meeting Video Recordings—Penkin**

Currently no video recording policy exists for NWNW, as a request for access to a recording including an Executive Session was submitted, clarity is needed on the topic. Per ONI Standards, a video recording is not considered a public record, only written documents are records.

Billings-Yun: suggests that City policy requires a meeting be recorded if requested. In Executive Session it should be turned off or paused. Regardless of somebody else requesting not to have themselves recorded, the initial request stands.

Chesarek: prefers to record for staff purposes and delete after minutes have been provided.

Pinger: last month recording was not distributed and he wanted to review for minutes accuracy.

Penkin: if City policy already exists creating a new NWNW policy seems redundant. We can record as requested and redact or pause for Executive sessions, then make it available to public on our website.

June and August will be made available.

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**6:00 Training from Attorney Melissa Healy re: Personnel—Executive Session**

***Motion 4:*** *Chesarek moved to go into Exec Session. Penkin second. All approved.*

***Motion 5:*** *Chesarek moved to leave Exec Session, Penkin seconded.*

**6:35 Neighborhood Reports**

**Downtown**: Houseless support workshop got great attendance. Seems clear that neighborhoods need to help reach out and pay attention to houseless neighbors. South Park Blocks Master Plan received heavy comment against the proposal. Was approved by council regardless. This raises concerns about the impact residents are having on public decisions.

**Hillside**: Tennis court proposed as “bike polo” court. Board would like to keep tennis option. Again concerned that the City will not respect the neighborhood perspective.

**NWDA:** NWNW should focus on the issue of public influence.

**Hammer (not OTCA rep):** OTCA Good Neighbor Agreement with County was essentially overruled by the City in order to add another shelter.

**Pearl District:** Quentin ? from BPS has been providing exceptional service regarding trash cans and livability.

**Hillside:** Aug 21, 4pm Hillside Park puppet show for families.

**GHFL:** Goose Hollow Days is scheduled for Oct 8-10, GHFL Annual Picnic Aug 29 at the Timbers Stadium. A lot of encampment fires lately have been very dangerous for the whole community and damaging many street trees. City Safe Sleep options presented in undesirable locations for camping, looking for alternatives.

**AHNA:** pursuing Firewise program. Zoo train committee working on returning train to Rose Garden.

**6:58 Public Comment -none**

**6:58 Adjourn**

**7:00-7:45 Closed Training re Misgendering and Microaggressions, board attendance mandatory.**

*Next Meeting: September 8, 2021 (Strategic Planning Session)*