

Rockwood Neighborhood Council Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2010
Hutton Elementary School, Cafeteria
Spokane, Washington

1. **The meeting was called to order** by Chairman Jill Boyd at 7:05PM.
2. **Executive Board members** were introduced.
3. **Agenda** for 01/05/10. A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.
4. **Minutes** from 11/03/09. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
5. **The Treasurer's Report** – Peggy Johnson
 - We have paid for the installation of the benches.
 - The bank statement has not yet been received.
 - Traffic calming money may soon be made available, but may require matching funds from interested neighborhoods.
 - A **motion** was made and seconded to approve the treasurer's report. The motion passed unanimously. Filed with these minutes.
6. **Historic Committee Report**
 - No report.
7. **Community Assembly (CA) Report** - John Prosser
 - There was a CA retreat in December.
 - There was a motion at CA to look at Clean Green funding. Comments:
 - Large CD neighborhoods feel there is an inequity in funding.
 - A committee will be formed to assess.
 - Neighborhoods want to be large for CD funding.
 - Unused clean green funds are available for redistribution to CD neighborhoods.
 - Discussion:
 - How is it currently used? Most neighborhoods use much of it.
 - For RNC clean green is a way to raise funds
 - Need to maintain a way for neighborhoods to maintain and re-energize their neighborhoods.
 - There was a proposal in CA to use unused clean green funds for code enforcement.
 - For RNC there is still interest in retaining the \$5000 made available to each neighborhood.
 - The \$5000 is actually just a credit with the solid waste department.
 - With RNC's January election of a Chair person, who will the CA representative be?
 - John P continued in 2009 after Jill B was elected at the Chair's request.
 - RNC By Laws state the RNC Chair is our CA representative unless otherwise determined, or the elected Chair is not interested.
 - If our newly elected Chair is not interested, John P recommended that Gail P be our CA rep. She is currently working with the Plan Commission, and being our CA rep would add to her effectiveness.
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8. **PETT Committee Report / Name Change / Current Goals**
 - It has been suggested that the PETT Committee be renamed to the Complete Streets Committee.

- All 27 neighborhoods support the name change which will be voted on this Friday at CA.
- A handout was provided and filed with these minutes – *Healthy Community Design*.
1/10/10 meeting open to the public
Complete Streets and How to Get Involved
YMCA Conference Room
5:30 – 7PM

9. Possible 2010 Goals and Committees were listed on the Agenda, but not discussed at this meeting.

10. Presentation of Candidates for RNC Offices

- Notification of RNC elections was made by e-mail.
- To run for office an individual must be a voting member.
- Nominations:
 - Vice Chair: Marilyn Ackerhielm.
 - Treasurer: Peggy Johnson.
 - Directors (3 positions open): Bernie Nelson, Julie Banks, John Prosser.
 - Chair (advisory vote): Carol Cunningham.
- Nominees were introduced.
- Additional nominations from the floor: Jill nominated Ron E who did not accept the nomination.
- There was a **motion** to accept the slate of nominees as stated and to cast a unanimous vote. The motion was seconded. The motion was carried unanimously, no opposed, no abstained.

11. Other Business.

- City Councilman Rush made a comment regarding connecting the City Council with the neighborhoods. The City Council is now listening closer to citizens.
Question: Is there a mechanism for a City Council member to participate in CA? Answer: the City Council member can complete a questionnaire to raise an agenda item, or a CA member can sponsor the City Council's questions.
- Question: where can a citizen find the standard or plan for street paving?
- Themes: put on the agenda for 2 – 4 meetings.
- License tabs – a \$20/tab fee can be imposed by the City Council for street maintenance and operation.
- It was requested by the new RNC Chair that Gail P be our CA representative.

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting: February 2, 2010

Respectfully Submitted,
Sonja Sallquist
Secretary