

## **Rockwood Neighborhood Council Meeting**

**October 2, 2012 7:00pm**

### **Hutton Elementary School Cafeteria**

**Call to Order:** The meeting of the Rockwood Neighborhood Council was called to order at 7:05pm by Chair, Dean Lynch. Attendance was recorded and attendees made introductions.

**Quorum:** Twenty-one people were in attendance and a quorum present.

**Treasurer's Report:** Peggy Johnson reported no changes in treasurer's report (total funds of \$2226.00 as of 9-12-12). The Council maintains several accounts, some of which are "donor designated" and have had no activity for the 6-1/2 years Peggy has been treasurer. Nova Duft and Peggy will research the accounts and report back to the body.

**Executive Committee Action:** No new actions since last meeting. Dean attended training with the Secretary of State's office for non-profit organizations.

Chuck Demarest, Principal Hutton Elementary, was not in attendance. In his absence, Dean Lynch reported that Neighborhood Council representatives will work with project managers on decisions regarding the building exterior. Students' family representatives will work on decisions regarding interior design. We are looking for individuals interested in representing the Council. Please contact Dean Lynch directly. Frank Hundley expressed an interest in the project.

No City Council Representative was in attendance.

Luke Tolley, Sustainable Works, gave a presentation on the work Sustainable Works is doing in Spokane neighborhoods to promote energy efficiencies in our homes. They offer energy assessments, consultations, and management of retrofit projects. Rebates are available on energy efficient retrofits and materials. The focus is on providing quality work, lowering energy bills, protecting the environment, and building community through creating living wage jobs and social and economic benefits for families.

Tim Burns, Police Ombudsman was not in attendance.

Major Frank Scalise, Spokane Police Department, reported on a new car prowling abatement campaign, "Remove it or lose it". The focus is to encourage residents to remove valuables from their cars in an attempt to lessen the incentive. October and November is also vehicle theft initiative focus. Spokane has one of the highest vehicle theft per capita rates and October is the highest incident month. The focus will be on repeat offenders.

The new Police Chief started work on Monday, October 1. Major Scalise encouraged residents to visit the Spokane Police Department's Facebook page. Graffiti should be reported to the COPS office.

**Rockwood Blvd Design Committee:** A letter was received September 25<sup>th</sup> advising that an informational meeting regarding approving the LID will be held on October 11, 2012, 1:30pm in

the City Council briefing room (City Hall). Letters, pro and con, need to be received by October 22<sup>nd</sup>, and a hearing is scheduled for October 23<sup>rd</sup>. These dates will be sent out to all RNC members.

**South Hill Coalition Planning Update:** Terry Warrick reported that on Thursday Oct 4<sup>th</sup> one representative from each of the five neighborhoods will be interviewing prospective consultants to work with the group in developing a plan that is both realistic and attainable. Don Lamp will represent RNC on the interview committee. Data from the survey is still being compiled. The next stakeholder meeting will be held at 6:00pm on Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at Lincoln Heights Elementary School.

**Community Assembly Representative Report:** Julie Banks reported that there was nothing new to report as their meeting is Friday

**Old Business:** Website is looking good. Looking for pictures of the neighborhood. Email pics to the address on the website. <http://rockwood.spokaneneighborhoods.org/>

**New Business:** Fall clean-up dump passes will be distributed on Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup> on the South side of the school.

**Announcements:** Dean Lynch reported that monies from the red light traffic calming program have been approved for a crosswalk light at 18<sup>th</sup> and Grand. Grand is being resurfaced in phases over the next three years.

**Good of the order:** It was reported that a neighbor was robbed in broad daylight. Intruders are checking for unlocked front doors.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 6, 2012. There will be no meeting in December and in January we will have our election of officers.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 8:10pm

Respectfully submitted,

Linda McHenry, Secretary (Acting)