

# Green Lake Community Council Meeting July 9 2014

# Call to order – Paul Kostek @ 7:05pm

### Seattle Public Library - Maryte Race

Summer reading programs taking place now. Library is very busy during the summer months. When children complete the program they can still read, and then they get an entry to the "Breakfast of Champions" and a free entry to the Burke Museum. 116 people showed up for today's reading program.

Finally have a "Senior's Corner". Large print, senior informational handouts and a bulletin board for senior current events. Afternoon book group has a new co-facilitator. They meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month from 3:30pm until about 4:30pm.

Other programs also taking place which have been popular. Semi-annual book sale this year is in Magnuson Park this year, September 12, 13 & 14.

#### Hearthstone – Stan Gregory

Village Cove – being developed on Woodlawn & Latona. Have had to handle environmental issues. It is now again an active construction site. Four story apartment building with 28 units. You can view progress at <u>http://hearthstone.org</u> to view real time video of construction. Construction started in February and it will take 10-12 months. Plans to open February 2015 for occupancy.

August 5<sup>th</sup> the Hearthstone will have a "Night Out". Will have the *Uptown Lowdown* jazz band here. Face painting and other activities.

# Metropolitan Parks District – Gayle Garman

Attended a meeting for input but it seemed like the decisions had already been made. An editorial was in today's Seattle Times – they recommend rejecting the proposition. The election is in **August** – a primary election. Concerned about the loss of the public to be able to have input on how the parks are run. Friends of Green

Lake met with the parks superintendent, and could work with them to make decisions. In the future, appeals would go to the City Council. Is concerned that the council is already pretty busy.

Seattle has never turned down a Parks Department levy.

# Parking @ Green Lake – Paul Kostek/Michael Cornell

Parking has been difficult, compounded by the opening of Green Lake Village. Other coming developments will also compound the issue.

Attendee concerned about a small area starting and the parking getting worse in surrounding areas.

#### Nominations Committee Report & Elections - Mary Muller

Every two years the board is up for elections. Last elections were two years ago. Mary was appointed to the nominating committee, as no volunteers stepped forward after the last meeting.

The board meets every other month – months where there's no general meeting – to plan the next general meeting. There are four officer positions, and member at large positions. Chair, Vice Chair, Treasure & Secretary. Members at large provide general input at board meetings and take on individual projects as they arise.

Would like to open up the floor for nominations. Current board is running for their current positions. Asks if any attendees would like to be a member at large or any nominations. (No responders.) Asks about those who want to run for Treasurer. (No responders.) Would anyone like to nominate the board. (No responders.) Asks if we should use ballots or raising hands. Raising of hands chosen. Many hands raised for keeping current board. No hands raised for opposition.

Current board is maintained.

#### Green Lake Litter Patrol - Paul Kostek

The person who started this activity is leaving the state. If you would like to help run this program, please contact us.

#### NW District Council – Ellen Hewitt

Meetings are now 1.5hrs instead of 2hrs. Chair is a good facilitator. Seattle Sustainable Neighborhoods project was discussed. There is a large project fund – up to \$100,000. Will not meet in July or August. Next meeting September 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### Seattle Precinct Report – Paul Kostek

Car thefts are still high. Including 1990's Subarus & Hondas. Burglaries are down. Street crime down.

### **Reminders:**

Night Out – August 5<sup>th –</sup> 6-9pm Seattle Public Theater

# Seattle Department of Neighborhoods - Karen Ko

Has been maintaining a list of updates for this part of the city. If you would like to join the least, please let her know. Also pass along news items. <u>Karen.ko@seattle.gov</u>

Next meeting will be September 10<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:11pm.