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March 8, 2016 MEADOWBROOK COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

At 7:06 pm the President, Dan Keefe, called the meeting to order. There were 19 attendees, including 14 voting members in attendance.

The minutes of the previous meeting on January 12th, 2016 were passed.

The Board candidates were elected for the 2016 term of office.

We heard a presentation from My Tam Nguyen, the Director/Strategic advisor for Brady Walkinshaw , a candidate for Jim McDermott's congressional seat. He is currently a state representative for the 43rd legislative district. She discussed Brady's climate change agenda and discussed his general perspectives on transportation issues, emphasizing that he was looking at this with a long term perspective. For more information on his policies, etc. his website is bradywalkinshaw.com.

Ms Sabrina Bolieu, District Director for CM Debra Juarez, made a brief presentation on the outreach plan Debra is putting together to represent our district, since this is a change from the old system where the City Council members were elected from the city at large rather than from a smaller district within the city. Part of Sabrina's job is to be a link between Debra and the district. Debra and Sabrina are planning to be in an office at North Seattle Community College on Fridays between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm to meet with constituents. She recommended that anyone wanting to meet with them contact them in advance and provide some information on what they would like to discuss so Debra and Sabrina could be as prepared as possible for the meeting. Sabrina also mentioned it was best to call and leave a voice message as that was easier to manage than going through the email they received.

Sabrina said they were in the process of putting together a tour to gain familiarity with the good and bad items in the district. She then asked us in the audience to providing our names and briefly outlining our main interests and concerns so she could get a better sense of what issues needed to be addressed.

It was mentioned that the City was looking at hiring 200 additional police officers and there was discussion of a new police station for the North Precinct, although that may not happen in the near future.

The revised bylaws were approved with minor modifications. The marked up copy of the approved bylaws from the meeting is provided as a PDF attachment to these minutes and will be used to update the clean copy of the revised bylaws.

Dan provided a brief update on the work of the sidewalk committee in producing the first interim draft report that was provided to Brian Dougherty of the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT). The committee spent many hours cataloging the sidewalk needs, documenting locations and providing priorities for the work to be done. The committee received a round of applause for their excellent work on this as this report can be used as the basis for a variety of funding requests going forward.

Dan also provided brief reports on the NPSF application for funding for the NE105th and 35th Ave crossing and the speed bumps at the NE 110th and 34th Ave crossing. The North District council will vote on these items at their April 6th meeting.

The Meadowbrook Community Council re-certification was submitted as part of a general clean up of documentation of the various community councils in the North District. Dan mentioned that the new boundary for the City Council District 5 may affect the North District Council boundaries as the old North District area now partially straddles two new City Council Districts and it is not clear whether this will need to be corrected at some point in the future.

Richard Anderson and other attending community garden members gave a brief update on the community garden. It was noted that the garden provided approximately 1,500 lbs of vegetables to the Lake City Food bank and they are aiming for more in 2016.

We heard a brief crime status update by Aundie. It was also suggested that we put together a safety and crime prevention class and symposium to look at crime prevention strategies.

Finally, we discussed the cottonwood trees that were blown down in last summer's windstorm on 110th and the work the community is doing to get them trimmed to avoid future problems.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:45 pm.

Minutes were taken by Richard Anderson filling in for the Secretary, Michael Reinhardt.