

MAY 10, 2022

## MEADOWBROOK COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

At 7:08 pm the President, Pam Bowe, called the meeting to order. There were 14 attendees, including at least 10 voting members in attendance.

Treasurer's Report The Treasurer noted there was a total of \$2,310.64 in the Council's checking and savings accounts at BECU.

Approval of Minutes The minutes of the January 11, 2022, and March 8, 2022 meeting were approved.

Dues and Voting Requirements the President noted the MCC has not collected dues in recent years. The Treasurer has a list of members whose dues were paid in 2019. Ms. Bowe proposed those members who are paid in full as of 2019 are considered fully paid members for the year 2022.

Director and Officer Nominations the President announced all existing officers and directors: President Pam Bowe, Vice President Dan Keefe, Treasurer Wilma Boyd, and Secretary Michael Reinhardt were willing to stand for reelection. Directors Colleen Weinstein and Walt Bubelis were also willing to stand for reelection. Terry Vogel was also nominated as a director. All were unanimously approved.

Burke Gilman Trail Mr. Per Johnson, President of the Wedgwood Community Council spoke about his neighborhood's lack of access to the Burke Gilman trail and their proposal to alter the grade on NE 95<sup>th</sup> Street to make it easier for pedestrians and bicyclists and proposed greenways to the Lake City HUB and library as well as better pedestrian access to Matthews Beach. He is soliciting neighbors to join the steering committee for this project. His contact information is [president@wedgwoodcc.org](mailto:president@wedgwoodcc.org).

John Rogers Mixed Legacy Mr. Ned Gignoux, parent of a student at John Rogers, spoke about the legacy of the namesake of the elementary school. Rogers was the third governor of Washington and former state legislator. He sponsored legislation to spread funding from wealthier districts to poorer school districts. He unfortunately was anti-Semitic and wrote a book promoting anti-Semitic views. Mr. Bubelis suggested the school be renamed Muckleshoot after the indigenous people who inhabited this area. Another member said the Duwamish tribe might object to honoring the Muckleshoot tribe. A name originally suggested for the school was "Meadowbrook" Elementary. Mr. Gignoux said he had presented the idea of changing the name of the school at the school and has not encountered any person who is in favor of retaining the present name.

Horticulture and the Nishitani Family Mr. Walt Bubelis spoke about the family's connection to Meadowbrook and their property on Lake City Way NE from 98<sup>th</sup> to almost 95<sup>th</sup>, which was a local nursery called The Oriental Gardens. Mr. Bubelis asked our council to support renaming the stretch of Ravenna between 95<sup>th</sup> and 98<sup>th</sup> to honor the Nishitani Family.

TCA is continuing with its E. coli monitoring program and is seeking a grant for flood control money for improved salmon passage at the intersection of 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue & 105<sup>th</sup>. They are also seeking a grant to alleviate flooding in one area.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

By: Michael Reinhardt, Secretary

**MINUTES APPROVED 7.22.2022**