## May 14, 2024

## MEADOWBROOK COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

At 6:30 pm the Vice President, Dan Keefe, called the meeting to order. There were 9 voting members in attendance and Mr. Henry Pollet, representing Councilmember Moore.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> Treasurer, Wilma Boyd, reported there was a total of \$1,747.19 in the Council's checking and savings accounts at BECU as of April 12th. Dues renewals can be made payable to Meadowbrook Community Council and mailed c/o Wilma Boyd at 2715 NE 97<sup>th</sup> Street, Seattle, WA.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u> After motion made and seconded, the minutes of the March 12, 2024 meeting (which have been posted on the MCC website) were approved.

<u>Community Discussion</u> Mr. Keefe said the MCC has been working on a sign to honor the former Nishitani garden. An initial issue is whether the sign will be on private or public land. When Mr. Bubelis, who has been presenting this matter, returns then the Council will proceed. Ms. Bunn said one proposal was a brown street sign on 98<sup>th</sup> and Lake City Way NE with the Nishitani name.

John Rogers Elementary Ms. Bunn reported the new building construction was progressing. She asked for an endorsement of renaming the school as "Meadowbrook Elementary". Ms. Bunn noted most other elementary schools are named with the neighborhood name and she believed the name would identify where the school was located.

Upon motion made and seconded, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: RESOLVED that the Meadowbrook Community Council recommends the newly built elementary school be named "Meadowbrook Elementary.

<u>Emergency HUB</u> The Vice President asked for volunteers to participate in the rebuilding of the Meadowbrook Emergency HUB.

<u>Lake City August Festival</u> MCC has purchased a table at this festival on August 3<sup>rd</sup> and asked for volunteers. Debbie Shuster and Valarie Bunn volunteered to assist.

<u>Night Out</u> August 6<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 9 pm is a neighborhood party at 10552 Alton Ave. N.E. Mr. Pollet said he would ask Councilmember Moore to attend that Night Out.

<u>Community Garden</u> Last week 70 tomato plants were planted, and volunteers will be installing a new watering system purchased with a City grant. After another car went off the curve and crashed into the community garden, Mr. Keefe contacted Parks requesting a guardrail but they replied it does not meet their criteria. Mr. Pallet said he would see what he could do to help one be installed.

<u>Thornton Creek Alliance</u> recently sponsored an outing for elementary students near Nathan Hale High School to learn about the stream and conducted several experiments to measure the health of the stream.

There is a new salmon passage project at 92<sup>nd</sup> and Lake City Way NE on Little Creek to mitigate environmental impacts from construction of the pedestrian bridge over the freeway at Northgate. Mr. Vogel asked for a sign to highlight the project and its' benefit to the creek and salmon. The Vice President said he would contact the City and advocate for a sign.

The Jane Addams swale project is stalled at SDOT and its delay is risking loss of a grant from King County. Mr. Pollet volunteered to see if he could resolve this.

<u>Commercial Development</u> The Secretary noted the Don Willis furniture store conversion into apartments had gone into foreclosure. This put at risk mitigations which the adjacent single-family neighbors had obtained in the building permit. In addition, the watchman who has lived on the site for 8 years and served as a buffer from substance abusers stealing from the neighbors, has been dismissed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

By: Michael Reinhardt, Secretary