

## FINAL

May 16, 2023

### MEADOWBROOK COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

At 6:30 pm the President, Pam Bowe, called the meeting to order. There were 12 attendees, including at least 8 voting members in attendance.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer, Wilma Boyd, reported there was a total of \$2,059.81 in the Council's checking and savings accounts at BECU

Approval of Minutes After motion made and seconded, the minutes of the March 14, 2023 meeting (which have been posted on the MCC website) were approved.

District 5 City Council Candidate Forums Ms. Renee Staton ([reneeastaton@gmail.com](mailto:reneeastaton@gmail.com) 206-209-7204) spoke about the history of candidate forums and asked that anyone interested in working to set up the forums contact her. There will be 3 forums this year. They will be at Haller Lake United Methodist (13055 1st Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98125) - Monday, June 5th - 7-8:30 PM //Lake City Mennonite Church 3120 NE 125<sup>th</sup> Street) - Tuesday, June 20, 2023 - 7-8:30 PM// and a Zoom meeting - Wednesday, July 12, 2023 - 7-8:30 PM. Masks will be required on June 5<sup>th</sup> and probably June 20<sup>th</sup>. All have at least one D5 community member as a facilitator. The first forum will have a more transit-oriented focus.

#### Meadowbrook Safety Issues

- NE 100<sup>th</sup> & 35<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE Mr. Keefe reported there have been several accidents at this location. SDOT will put in a mid-road pedestrian refuge and a crosswalk, but no flashing beacon.
- NE 105<sup>th</sup> @ 35<sup>th</sup> Ave NE (traffic rerouting) The Seattle School District has reported it will monitor the traffic flow for three years to determine if changes are needed.

Meadowbrook Emergency Communications HUB was stolen in February, 2023 and no longer exists. To raise the money to replace the HUB, the President plans to have a skills fair regarding emergency planning and preparedness. It will generate public participation for the community match - hopefully at \$50/person/hour to qualify for the grant from the City. Mr. Keefe asked for volunteers to participate in the skills fair and help with the grant. Several attendees responded. There will be a citywide emergency preparedness drill on June 11, 2023.

NE Softball Teams There is information on the MCC website for those who are interested in playing. If you are interested, contact Pam Bowe.

Meadowbrook Community Garden by the Nathan Hale tennis courts is starting its 14<sup>th</sup> year. The Garden has obtained a \$48,000 grant from the City to refresh the raised plant beds, purchase a new tool box and provide water access to the orchard on NE 105<sup>th</sup>. About 10 young people have joined recently. The Garden has also raised funds to build a permanent canopy at the site by the tennis courts. Volunteers are encouraged to join.

Thornton Creek Alliance Mr. Keefe reported the TCA obtained a grant for a Little Brook hydrologic study to determine how to stop the flooding in the tributary area. It will also be stenciling street drains to warn against dumping pollutants into City street drains.

Tree Survey Mr. Bubelis discussed ideas to find a repository for the tree survey conducted by MCC members and to obtain action by the City to name the small park at NE 100<sup>th</sup> Street by Lake City Way NE as Nishitani Park. The home demolished at the site apparently was the Nishitani family home.

Lake City Community Center A member commented the City hopes to have a new community center built in three years at the site of the present community center which recently burned.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 pm.

By: Michael Reinhardt, Secretary