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September 10, 2019

MEADOWBROOK COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

At 7:10pm the President, Pam Bowe, called the meeting to order. A quorum was present and there were 23 attendees.

Minutes The minutes of the July 9, 2019 meeting were approved with additions provided by the Vice President.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> Treasurer Wilma Boyd reported the Council has \$350.17 in its checking account at BECU and \$1,857.57 in its BECU savings account as of August 9, 2019.

<u>Emergency HUB</u> The President reported Ms. Ann Girven had resigned from leading the Meadowbrook Emergency HUB in order to start organizing residents to prepare for a natural disaster. Three persons have agreed to assume her duties. In appreciation of her work to create the Meadowbrook Emergency HUB, the President presented Ms. Girven with a plaque saluting her work.

<u>Meadowbrook Emergency "Clusters"</u> Ms. Girven will now be organizing clusters of homes in Meadowbrook. The area has been divided into clusters of 20 houses. Each cluster will have contact information about the people in the homes in that cluster. The goal is to organize the residents within a cluster to assist one another in an emergency. There will be an initial meeting at the Meadowbrook Community Center on September 15th from 7-9pm.

<u>Bridge Repairs in Meadowbrook</u> Nadia Caldwell and Cayla Ravancho of Stepherson and Associates gave a presentation on behalf of the Seattle Department of Transportation regarding the repair work to be done on 4 vehicular bridges in Meadowbrook. Their contact information is <u>nadia@stephersonassociates.com</u> and <u>cayla@stephersonaccociates.com</u>. They distributed two SDOT handouts regarding the 4 bridges – all of which are 65 or more years old. SDOT is evaluating replacement of bridges on NE 110th Street, 39th Ave NE, NE 105th Street, and 45th Avenue NE. There are signs of deterioration for the supports of these bridges. Potential improvements include wider driving and walking lanes. Replacement is generally cheaper than rehabbing the bridges. The SDOT contact person is Darrell Bulmer (206) 256-5563 at Darrell.Bulmer@seattle.gov.

<u>District 5 City Council Race</u> Ms. Ann Sadler is running for District 5 City Councilmember. She is an attorney who has lived in D5 for 10 years with her husband and 8 and 10 year old children. Ms. Sadler believes the three big issues most impacting Seattle are housing, homelessness, and addiction. For homelessness she proposes three designated locations in Puget Sound for homeless people to find shelter, showers and toilets. The former Sam's Club site would be the location in Seattle. Currently, the City does not enforce its laws regarding illegal encampments on public property. She is in favor of enforcing the existing laws against camping on public property. Regarding addiction, she wants more funding for people after detox, to help them stay off drugs. Ms. Sadler opposes the head tax and said her work experience with the Sonics, etc. has provided her experience working with a wide variety of people. She does not accept the City's democracy vouchers for her campaign.

<u>Sidewalks</u> The Vice President reported on sidewalk matters. After construction of the temporary pedestrian bridge, there is still water ponding on NE 110th Street off 35th Avenue NE. There is a high water table issue which is contributing to the ponding. Construction will probably take place on the weekends now that school has started. NE 110th Street will be closed during construction.

Your Voice Your Choice allows you to vote for three projects which were nominated by neighborhoods and received sufficient votes in prior voting. To vote online, search for "Your voice your choice vote". Voting ends September 30, 2019. There are no Meadowbrook projects currently being considered by YVYC.

There have been meetings between SDOT and area neighbors regarding improvements to the intersection of NE 105th Street, NE 104th Place, and NE 106th Street regarding what improvements should occur at that intersection.

The <u>Community Garden</u> by the Nathan Hale tennis courts has produced over 1200 pounds of food which has been donated to North Helpline's food bank.

<u>Thornton Creek Pollution</u> The Thornton Creek Alliance citizen science project is continuing to monitor and locate the sources of pollution in Thornton Creek.

<u>John Rogers Elementary School</u> will be demolished by the Seattle School District and a new building built to triple the capacity of the school.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.

By: Michael Reinhardt, Secretary