

New Tacoma Neighborhood Council
Wednesday January 14th, 2009 at 5:30-7:00PM
747 Market Street RM 708

Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Board Members present: Dalton Gittens, Bill Garl, Brett Santhuff, Elizabeth Burris, Kate Rose, Eric Crittendon, Beth Rushing, Jon Marconi, Mae Harris, Justin Mayfield, Traci Kelly,

Board Members excused: Ian Morrison, MarLe Wendt, Marty Campbell

Board Members absent: Darion Reese, Jacob Rose, Diane Rankos

Guests: Glen and Eugene Evanger, Jamie Jennison(citizens), John Larson (Tacoma Weekly), Anders Ibsen (Safe Streets), Ian Munce (Planning), Phil Farrell (TFD), Allyson Griffith (City Manager's Office), Nancy Davis (Metro Parks), Julie Olmstadt (TPU), Diane Lachel (Click!), Mitch Robinson (Click!)

Call to Order: 5:35pm

Minutes & Agenda: December 10th minutes approved (Bill motions, Burris 2nd)

Treasurer's Report: \$10,498.69, Budget will be developed during retreat.

Secretary/Correspondence Report: Deferred until February meeting

Community Council: No report

Across the Fence: No report

Staff Reports:

Economic Development: Elton--Innovative Grant process begins in February, deadline is April 16th, and each neighborhood council receives \$20,000. TV Tacoma will need several NTNC members to participate in filming during February, will air in March. Annual Neighborhood council report is due January 20th, Elton changed deadline to reflect upcoming NTNC retreat (tentative date January 31st) Elton also discussed NUSA conference which is scheduled for Spokane WA. Elton asked for topic suggestions Tacoma city-wide conference scheduled for 2009.

City Manager's Office: Allyson—Council has been off during holidays, next meeting scheduled for 22 January. Allison also had information about Crime prevention conference 27-29 April 2009.

Fire Department: Phil Farrell new TFD representative gave handouts on 72 hour checklist, CPR training and winter safety tips.

TPD: No report

Metro Parks: Nancy Johnson provided activity guide handouts, appears that Governor has allocated \$950, 00 for Zena Lennix (Memorial) Park.

Tacoma Power: Julie Olmstadt provided handouts and mentioned an open house for the enviro-house this spring.

Citizen Forum: Anders Ibsen from Safe Streets mentioned Block Watch 101 training.
Eric C. asked about additional NTNC Board Members be added, item tabled until February board.

Presentation:

Ian Munce, City of Tacoma Planning Division handed out proposed changes in off-street parking requirements for Financial District. Board moved to 1) draft letter in support to proposed changes, 2) Encourage city to increase the proposed boundary to entire downtown sector, 3) Strongly encourage City to develop other transit options to support changes in off-street parking requirements. Kate Rose will draft letter and submit during February meeting (Kate Rose motions, Garl 2nd).

Diane and Mitch from Click Cable presented changes in digital TV and how it will impact citizens.

New Business:

GOALS FOR 2009: will work during Board retreat tentatively scheduled for January 31st. Burris will request clubroom at Marcato, if not available, Beth Rushing will look into UWT facilities.

Committee Reports:

None. An in-depth look at committees will occur during the retreat

Good of the Order:

Bill Garl motions to adjourn, Justin Mayfield 2nd, approved @ 6:55pm.

Dalton Gittens, Chair

Elizabeth Burris, Secretary