

**New Tacoma Neighborhood Council**  
**Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 5:30-7:00PM**  
**747 Market Street RM 138**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Attendance:**

**Board Members present:** Dalton Gittens, Mae Harris, Elizabeth Burris, Deanna Rankos, Beth Rushing, Jon Morrone, Eric Crittendon, Brett Santhuff, Justin Mayfield, Marty Campbell,

**Board Members excused:**, Bill Garl, Mar-Le Wendt, Kate Rose, Traci Kelly, Denny Faker

**Guests:** Shane Pettit (City Manager's Office), Nancy Davis (Metro Parks), Jeff Jensen (TFD), Officer Rob Jepson (TPD), Carla Santorno and Laurie Taylor (Tacoma Public Schools), Pauline Ross and Judith Meadors (The Bridge), Tina McLeod (City of Tacoma Human Rights), Charlotte Adamovich

**Call to Order:** 5:31pm

**Minutes & Agenda:** November agenda and October minutes approved (Campbell motions, Harris 2nd)

**Secretary/Correspondence Report:** Letters concerning the NTNC support of a Year round Farmer's market were sent to both the City Manager and the City Council

**Treasurer Report:** N/A

**Community Council/ Economic Development:** City Manager spoke to community council reference the City budget, working hard not to cut city services or staffing.

**Across the Fence:** January program year end in review, need 3 NTNC members for December 10th program POC is Mar-Le Wendt

**Staff Reports:**

**City Manager's Office:** Shane Pettit discussed December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting regarding Miller amendment hearing is in room 248. Budget report -33 million below projected revenues. Applications for the 2 vacant City council positions available-deadline is 4 December.

**Fire Department:** Deputy Chief Jeff Jensen reported the following statistics: 339 fire runs, 2561 EMS calls, and 332 other-YTD 32,194 increase of 707 from last year.

**Police Department:** Officer Jepson provided handouts on direct Policing call-outs. Public Safety Board passed regulation regarding security training for local Tavern/Nightclub security personnel. Crackdown on parking violations in various downtown parking areas.

**Metro Parks:** Nancy Davis provided Newsletter/ handouts on upcoming Metro Park Activities. Turkey Trot scheduled for Thanksgiving morning-expected high attendance.

**Citizen Forum/Announcements:**

Dickens Festival-Nov 21<sup>st</sup>, Deanna Rankos provided flyers and encouraged participation.

Art Slam-today 6:30-9 at Rialto(free)

Historic Economic speaker UWT December 7, 2009

Christmas Tree Kiosk Nov 27<sup>th</sup>-December 20th at Tollefson Plaza

Jon Morrone Board Member-Pauline Ross and Judith Meadors from the Bridge thanked NTNC for donation. The Bridge is a non-profit organization that helps families and children in the Foster Care system.

Charlotte Adamovich spoke about her concerns with traffic and pedestrian crossings at South 1<sup>st</sup> and St Helens

**New Business:**

Tina McLeod from the City of Tacoma gave out handouts and spoke about The City's program to combat housing discrimination.

Carla Santorno and Laurie Taylor from Tacoma Public Schools provided information and spoke about the upcoming school bond levy

**Old Business:**

Motion from Rankos 2<sup>nd</sup> from Mayfield to accept the slate of candidates posted in last month's meeting, approved.

Motion from Rankos, 2<sup>nd</sup> Campbell to accept Denny Faker into the NTNC board, approved.

Motion from Campbell, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mayfield to accept Elizabeth Burris as Secretary NTNC, approved.

Motion from Burris, 2<sup>nd</sup> Santhuff to accept Justin Mayfield as Treasurer NTNC, approved.

Motion from Burris, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rankos to accept Dalton Gittens as Chair NTNC, approved.

Motion from Burris, 2<sup>nd</sup> Crittendon to accept Bill Garl as Vice-Chair NTNC, approved.

**Good of the Order:**

Burris motions to adjourn, Mayfield 2nd, approved @ 7:02

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Dalton Gittens, Chair

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Elizabeth Burris Secretary