



**Council and Steering Committee  
General Meeting  
August 5, 2015  
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.  
Gilkey Community Room  
Northwest Museum of Arts & Culture  
2316 W. First Ave**

**The following people signed in at the meeting**

Julie Biggerstaff	Cindy Fine	Elizabeth Marlin	Toni Turcek
Rick Biggerstaff	Tim Finneran	Mary Moltke	Dan Whicker
Nicole Bower	Louie Flores	Tim Ottmar	Christine White
Gillian Cranehahn	Amanda Hamilton	Peggy Rolando	Karl Zacher
Pat Dougherty	Patricia Hansen	MaryLou Sproul	
Kim Engel	Michael Harves	Morag Stewart	

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Welcome, Introductions - Rick Biggerstaff**

**Item for Vote - Approval of June's minutes**

June's minutes refer to March's and April's minutes in 2 different places and need to be changed to June. Liz Marlin made a motion to approve June's minutes with the amendments. It was seconded and approved.

**Item for Information - Treasurer report – Julie Biggerstaff**

<u>Expenses for June (all for the concert series):</u>	<u>Expenses for July</u>
\$1091.08 brochure printing	\$ 211.90 Garden Supplies for Christine White & Helpers
\$ 625.00 remaining balance, park permit	\$1250.00 5 bands (5 weeks of concerts)
\$ 501.00 insurance,	\$ 500.00 2 <sup>nd</sup> payment to Anna Harbine for completion of Overlook Park Sign Development Project
	\$ 65.22 MAC for image acquisition for Overlook Signs
<u>Income for June:</u>	<u>Income for July (all concert donations)</u>
\$ 900.00 grant—Associated Garden Clubs of Spokane	\$222.79 July 2
\$2175.00 concert series sponsorships (Reid House, Elk, SW Spokane Community Center, 1889 House B&B, Karl Zacher Properties, Sunset Grocery, Luchini & Luchini Dentistry)	\$303.79 July 9
	\$232.01 July 16
	\$283.85 July 23
	\$254.08 July 30
<u>Balances as of July 31, 2015</u>	
\$4,361.96 Savings:	\$2152.19 Concert Series
\$2,073.64 Coeur d'Alene Park:	\$8096.33 MMA
<u>Total: \$18,864.27</u>	\$2180.15 Checking

**Items for Information**

- Friends of Coeur d'Alene Park – Julie Biggerstaff
  - ✓ Parks Dept has agreed to finish the funding for the historic interpretive signs at Overlook Park. Images of the three signs were passed around. The text for the basalt pillars was presented and a vote for their approval was taken. Mary Moltke made a motion to accept the text on the pillars and it was seconded by Liz Marlin. 14 approved the text with 0 dissensions.
  - ✓ The Friends of CdA Park is working with Annie Matlow, the planning coordinator, on the anniversary celebration. There will be a kick-off fundraising dinner, on Friday, November 7, at Patsy Clarks by invitation. Tickets are \$75 with a maximum of 50 people. The Comprehensive Park Plan will be presented to the parks board on Wednesday, September 2 for their approval.
  - ✓ Patti Simpson Ward will donate an original painting of the park for us to raffle off as a fund raiser during the anniversary celebration. It will be shown at the dinner in November.

- ✓ The Landmarks Commission will be hosting an information meeting regarding the City of Spokane Park System National Register Multiple Property Submission on Wednesday, August at 2 p.m. at City Hall. That designation could open up some funding opportunities for our parks.
- ✓ Historic tours of Browne's Addition can be arranged with MaryLou Sproul as a fund-raiser.
- ✓ At June's meeting, there was a discussion about the \$1000 loan that the Friends of CdA Park have with the neighborhood. It will be an item on the agenda for next month.
- Friends of Historic Home Signs – Louie Flores
  - ✓ 21 property owners who originally had signs have been identified. The Biggerstaffs will purchase their sign to be used as an example for other property owners. A letter of interest will be sent out to those possibly interested in purchasing a sign for about \$450. There will be some general criteria about what will be written on the sign. Louie will apply for a grant from the Parks Foundation to help.
- Pedestrian, Transportation & Traffic (PeTT) Committee Report – Mike Harves
  - ✓ The city has some red-light funds (about \$8000) collected from intersection cameras which can be used for traffic calming projects. The city council would like to use the surplus funds on large projects like beautifying the entrances to the city. The city wants to know if the neighborhoods will support this large project. An advisory vote was taken with 15 people voting yes and 1 voting no.
  - ✓ The city has nice interactive maps that show different layers of traffic and transportation. Go to the city website and put "gis" in the search engine.
- Coeur d'Alene Street Construction Update – Karl Zacher
  - ✓ The main concern about the project has been about the health of the trees which have been surrounded by dirt and unable to be watered. In addition, one of them has been taken out although they said they wouldn't do so. The owner has finally moved dirt away from the trees and will water them twice a week. A \$100,000 - \$300,000 bond will be required by the owner if the trees are damaged.
- CDBG Projects –Liz Marlin
  - ✓ Bus shelters will be coordinated among the city's neighborhoods. September and October will be the design phase and the neighborhood will be involved in that. Breaking ground will be in November.
- High Alcohol Free Zone movement – Patricia Hansen from Cliff Cannon Neighborhood
  - ✓ Since the alcohol impact zone was established downtown, it pushed transients into the neighborhoods where they buy and drink "high octane" alcohol, then act inappropriately and vandalize the neighborhoods. Cliff Cannon Neighborhood would like to help organize all neighborhoods to have the option to have city-wide alcohol impact zones if they choose. This is a long process that needs specific documentation and evidence that it's negatively affecting the neighborhoods. It's expected that the push back will be from the alcohol distributors.
- Concert Series Update – Tim Finneran
  - ✓ Scott Mailheau, the concert coordinator, was terminated after the 1st payment. Tim Finneran and Julie Biggerstaff have taken on the work to coordinate the concerts. The Executive Committee decided to give the rest of the designated payments to Tim and Julie for their work.
  - ✓ There have been 5 successful concerts with good turn-outs. Fund raising is going as planned.
- Spring Cleanup – Amanda Hamilton
  - ✓ The dumpsters were well used. In October there will be another dumpster day at the church.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Item for Vote –**

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – Rick Biggerstaff  
Browne's Addition needs to inform the city about its intentions for the \$3000 CDBG allotment next year. It's recommended that we give our CDBG funds to Cliff Canyon neighborhood to use for projects which could help Browne's Addition (like a crosswalk at the youth center). In general, we need to partner with other neighborhoods to get projects done in ours.

#### **Item for Information -- Discussion Forum**

September 10, 7:00-8:00 p.m. at Browne's Tavern  
Topic: *High Alcohol Free Zone movement*

**Adjournment was at 8:00.**

**Everyone was invited to Pacific Avenue Pizza after the meeting.**