



**Council and Steering Committee
 General Meeting
 February 3, 2016
 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
 Gilkey Community Room
 Northwest Museum of Arts & Culture
 2316 W. First Ave**

February Meeting Minutes

The following people signed in at the meeting:

Julie Biggerstaff	Karl Zacher	Bailee Nebeker	Tim Finneran
Rick Biggerstaff	Christine White	Sheila Mountjoy	Griffin Nebeker
Nicole Bower	Jose Trejo	Mary Moltke	Pat Dougherty
Janet Brown	Heather Trautman	Christor Loftenins	Mary Delateur
David Collins	MaryLou Sproul	Eric Kramer	Jason Nechanichy
Peter Cooper	Dawn Spickler	Michael Harves	Katherine Fritchie
Gillian Cranehahn	Nancy Salisbury	Robin Hankel	
George Dahl	Tim Ottmar	Amanda Hamilton	

Welcome, Introductions - Rick Biggerstaff

Item for Vote - Approval of January's minutes

MaryLou made a motion to approve January's minutes. It was seconded and approved.

Item for Information - Treasurer report - Julie Biggerstaff

Expenses for January

None

Balances as of January 31, 2016

\$4,485.55	Savings	\$2,844.46	Concert Series	\$576.20	Checking
\$2,561.85	Coeur d'Alene Park	\$8,099.59	MMA		
Total: \$18,576.65					

Neighborhood News

Christine White - Applying for a grant from the Associated Garden Club of Spokane for money for the planters and traffic circle. Applications aren't due until May 1st, so we won't hear back for a while after that. Julie added that there is money left from the 2015 grant and those funds are being used while we wait for 2016 grant decision.

Heather Trautman - Introduced as liaison between Browne's Addition and the Office of Neighborhood Services and Code Enforcement, and offered help with any issues or questions regarding resources or issues. Traffic calming project applications are being taken now, project maximum of \$50k, competitive process, she will assist with applications if needed. Informed us ordinance went into effect last fall that will allow neighborhoods to be aware of potential projects much earlier in the process. Suggested using the ONS google calendar and referred us to their website at SpokaneNeighborhoods.org

Tim Ottmar - Reminded neighbors that if they see something, they need to call crime check and make a report. The issues with the drug/stolen property house at the east end of the neighborhood should be over shortly, as well as some concerning activity on Coeur d' Alene St. Invited us to come to his office at 169 S Stevens if we need him to address something. We can contact him or Code Enforcement about abandoned vehicles, as well as the traffic hotline if speeding becomes a problem now that snow is melting.

New Business

Items for Information: Discussion/decision regarding bus shelter - George Dahl

- Original Request - Discussed in November, could not be built due to drainage/build issues. Suggested moving to NE corner of Pacific and Oak, stop does not meet ridership guidelines of 25 riders per day. Rick pointed out that the usage of a shelter placed there isn't represented by only outbound ridership. Concerns were brought about the safety of people running back and forth from shelter to stop.
- Possible placement at Pacific and Hemlock - Neighborhood decided against, corner is directly between our two existing shelters.
- Neighborhood discussion of Central City Line's possible effects on existing shelters. STA cannot confirm route at this time, nor that a new shelter would necessarily be incorporated into CCL. Suggestions made of where else those funds could be used to benefit the neighborhood.
- Peter Cooper made a motion to redirect shelter funds to another public benefit project, to be determined at a later date, motion was seconded and approved, 17 in favor, 0 not in favor, motion passed.

Old Business

Item for Information:

STA Central City Line Steering Committee Report, Katherine Fritchie - Nothing about the neighborhood right now, still working on downtown and will branch out

Community Assembly, Tim Finneran - Not much to update, discussing sidewalks

Pedestrian, Transportation & Traffic (PeTT) Committee Report, Mike Harves - PeTT has chapter in City's comprehensive plan. New ways to get data for decision making, and looking for input from broad range of groups. Really going to start digging into the issue with sidewalks. If anyone has sidewalk issues in Browne's Addition, please see Mike so he can report back to PeTT Committee

Friends of Coeur d'Alene Park, Julie Biggerstaff - Next general meeting for Friends is 3/13 at 3pm. Most recent news from Parks Dept. says the interpretive signs at Overlook Park are slated to be installed this spring. They will let neighborhood know when we get dates and possibly have a small ceremony for their unveiling. Park Operations working on preliminary design for entrances and pathways to the park, should hear later this year, \$75k budgeted for capital improvements. Reminder of 125th anniversary kick off event May 21, Art for the Park. Planning on special events for Thursday concerts. Friends has applied for a \$5k grant and has received a few grants from other organizations. Still looking for sponsors, and the City of Spokane has offered to waive permit fees as a sponsor. Still planning to do lemonade stand. Tim also requested volunteers for passing the hat during summer concert series.

Discussion about neighborhood cleanup

Amanda Hamilton will be neighborhood cleanup coordinator again in 2016

Almost all neighbors agree that they'd like to see curbside pickups come back this year. Dumpster events had good turn out and we'll evaluate what additional services the neighborhood can provide to residents after cleanup orientation February 25th. Other options include appliance pickup, metal recycling, dump passes, clean green curbside pickup. Discussed metal recycling, metal would have to be sorted, however we would receive that money back.

Adjournment was at 8:00.

Everyone was invited to the Pacific Avenue Pizza after the meeting