



Members in Attendance:

Carol Jensen – Bayside
Andrea Tucker – Port Gardner
Victor Harris – Port Gardner
Karen McAllister - Bayside
Michael Trujillo- Cascade View
Ann Krolak - HSG
Sara Steuben – Lowell
Andrew Moe - Lowell
John Sweeney – Northwest
Robin Rigdon – Northwest

Art Olson – Pinehurst
Jim Prissel- Pinehurst
Pamela Lynn – Riverside
Chris Geray – Silver Lake
Dennis Dudder – SFP & VR/M
John VanPatten – Twin Creeks
George Lockeman – Valley View
Vanessa Randall – Valley View
Linda War Bonnet – Westmont/Holly

Staff:

Wendy McClure

Karen Stewart

Erika Frost

Excused:

Jim Grieco
Tom Norcott

Mary Fosse
Ryan Webber

Citlalli Zarate

Guests:

Mary & Steve Heilesen

Called to Order: 4:05 p.m.

I. APPROVALS & COMMENTS

- ✓ Agenda approved with no discussion
- ✓ July minutes approved with no discussion
- ✓ Citizen comments – Mary Heilesen – Introduced herself and husband Steve Heilesen. They are key volunteers for Everett Safe Parks – they have adopted all the parks that have playgrounds for clean-up efforts, about a year and half ago, inspired that children should have safe places to play. They have about 24 people volunteering to scout through parks once a month to look for needles. They are often thanked by community members. So far have 9 parks adopted. And have 5 parks need to be adopted. Have funds from Community Sparks funds for vests and basic gear. Mary Heilesen phone (503) 887-1408. Needing to be adopted: 5 Parks – Doyle, Garfield, Thornton Sullivan, Hauge Homestead and Wiggums Hollow.

II. SAFETY MINUTE and CLIMATE MINUTE

4:10 Victor – He cautioned about safety and communications – as an example a housefire due to BBQ. Cell phone didn't work. Because the resident was a Ham Radio operator, he was able to communicate. That radio network is good communication tool. Victor encouraged people to take the training to become Ham radio operators.

Youth Activism for climate change - Greta Thunberg is making an impressive effort to raise awareness about climate change. Everett students were at climate event on county campus, which was well attended.

III. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON JUDY TUOHY, council vice president

4:15 Update on marijuana store issue – Councilmember Tuohy gave some history on the licensing of marijuana retailers. The State of Washington allocates to city and county how many stores the cities can have. Originally allocated 5 stores for Everett.

In 2016, State closed the medical marijuana stores and changed allotment for cities around the state. Everett's allotment was changed from 5 to 10 stores. City Council voted for moratorium on more stores – held limit to 5 stores and referred matter to Planning Commission, which studied and recommended 10 stores. Councilmember Vogeli brought a motion to Council remove the moratorium. The motion did not have support, but Council decided to gather information and have an update through Public Safety committee.

At Sept 11 Public Safety committee meeting, they discussed updates and shared information on current conditions related to marijuana stores. EPD Chief Templeman described calls for service, which indicate marijuana stores do not generate a lot of calls. Citations could be given if they sell to a minor or if there are issues outside of store. Council considered land use and zoning requirements, un-anticipated consequences of ordinance, such as requirements for parking, no alley access. Public Safety committee is considering additional regs. The medical marijuana retailers' policies are being reviewed.

Next public safety meeting is Oct 9, to look in more detail at policies, and reviewing Planning Commission statements, changes to ordinance, siting, policies. Next the matter would come forward to Council as a recommendation, with opportunity to have public comment.

Briefing to Council will be good time to present comments at City Council and residents can send email to council after reviewing committee meetings. Committee meetings are at city council chambers, televised.

Victor asked about addresses that were circulated – apply to Planning Department.

Vanessa asked about former location on 19th Ave. That license was already purchased.

Dennis asked about process for applying to State, then to Planning for permitting, which has changed order now. More restrictions were added by Council.

Question about requirements for ID at the door – this may be a state requirement. Councilmember Tuohy reminded the group that the District Commission has a meeting on Sept 30 at 6PM to discuss the District Master process. Will District Commission meeting be televised? They are filmed and can be viewed on Everett TV.

New West Marine View Drive bridge is now boosted up in the air, but not yet re-oriented. Thursday is date planned to raise it up into place.

Carol Jensen reviewed update from Mayor Franklin about her presentations at CON meeting. Mayor will be attending quarterly. She will be here next month, and admin staff will attend if she cannot a quarterly meeting. If Council reps want information from Mayor's office, we can raise those and bring that to them. Andrew Moe raised concern about the advisory role and lack of direct contact with Mayor's office. Wendy explained that city boards are mostly advisory to Mayor and Council, that CON is the only board which had been visited nearly monthly by mayor. Carol clarified that reps can bring their concerns to Exec Committee and staff will forward topics to Mayor's office.

George suggested prioritization of issues that Council reps would like to have covered. Updates can be brought by Mayor on request and when Mayor's office needs to share information, they will convey that to the Council Exec Committee.

Linda requested an update from Mayor's office on the Community Engagement directive.

IV. CITY & COMMUNITY ITEMS

4:30 **Climate Action update - Karen Stewart – Environmental planner, Planning Dept –**

The City is working with Cascadia consulting team on a climate action plan citywide. There will be a meeting on Oct 15, Tuesday 5:30- 6:30pm, at old city hall in conference room, where consultant team will talk one on one with Everett citizens. At 6:30 they will present at Planning Commission.

The plan highlights recommended activities to do over the next 10 years, Planning Commission will come up with climate action plan, set targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by a target date. Will there be other times to give input? Follow up with Planning Commission on Dec 3rd. Email Karen KStewart@everettwa.gov with questions or comments. Karen can attend CON in October or November if needed. Karen says there is already a city-wide analysis.

Public Works – Erika Frost – Erika briefed the council reps on the re-usable bag ordinance, and current outreach campaign. Next Monday the ordinance goes into effect. It prohibits use of single use plastic bags, except for containing liquids, or

with meats, or other foods in preventing contamination. The City is encouraging residents to bring a bag with them or retailers will charge for bags (this is a requirement of the ordinance). Check out website:

www.everettwa.gov/bringyourbag. Heavy duty bags for meats and produce, bulk foods, etc. are still available. Tote bag distribution underway. Asking people to take a pledge to use less bags, reduce the plastic in their lives. Fill out pledge and think about how they can use less plastic and why, write up on the note, sign in and get a bag. City offering a reminder sticker to remember bags when shopping. Offering bags to neighborhoods.

Question about mutt mitts dispensers – Apryl Hynes, Public Works, can help provide these bags and dispensers.

Question about bag fees – Erika responded that the revenue from charge for bags goes to the retailer.

Victor asked if bringing own plastic bag back is a problem. No – nothing in ordinance prevents re-use. Andrea commented that many years ago in Germany, people had to pay for bags. She really supports this policy.

Sara – Is the policy affordable for low income? Erika responded – If EBT recipients show their card, they will not be charged for bags.

Carol J - suggested using small tote bags to shop for small items at non-grocery stores, since ordinance covers all retailers.

Andrew Moe – can retailers use thicker carry out bags? Yes, but still have to charge.

Ann Krolak – offered suggestion to adopt mutt mitt stations.

Erika also announced the rain barrel sale this Saturday, 9am to noon at Everett Public Works building.

Wendy reminded people how to access the NewFlash/Notify Me! feature on the website and encouraged neighborhoods to post their meetings on the city website calendar. She will demonstrate how to do this next month at CON meeting.

V. TEAM WORK – UPDATES & NEW IDEAS

4:40 School Partnerships – Michael Takayoshi, principal at Cascade High School, attended Cascade View/Twin Creeks meetings. He spoke about opportunities to volunteer, including curriculum night, having a neighborhoods table at school events.

Interest in asking School District Administration about whether there will be a luncheon with principals and vice principals and neighborhood leaders.

Better Communications – Jim is bringing volunteers together in later half of October.

Monte Cristo – Chris Geray – Awards program coming up. Photography, selection meetings occurred, invitations in mail. Ceremony is on Thursday, Oct 10 at Historic Everett Theatre. Doors open at 6:30pm, program at 7pm. Mayor will be there with 2 City Councilmembers. Donated printing, musicians. Volunteers on day of would be welcome. Next planning meeting this coming weekend, with focus on reception planning team.

Civil Discourse – Oct 3 – At Cascade High School library – guest speaker David Smith. Register ahead of time, free event.

Matching Fund app workshop and Ideas Fair on Oct 29 at Evergreen Middle School Open meetings training – reminder to watch video on line for open public meetings.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zoning Re-Think Zoning process – David Stalheim, Planning will give update at October CON meeting.

Planning Commission is having public hearing on Oct 15 regarding 2016 ordinance for supportive housing, which allowed it in any publicly owned property. All neighborhoods are affected. Public hearing to take comments. On Nov 19, the Planning Commission will make recommendation to the City Council. Now proposed changes are on Planning website for comments to get packets of information, rules.

Everett Faith in Action – community forum Sept 24, 7PM. Opportunity to hear presenters from 8 groups that have made progress on social needs, streets issues, developed housing.

Socktoberfest – Collecting socks. Port Gardner helps each year.

Great Shakeout - Oct 17 at 10:17 AM. www.Shakeout.org Earthquake preparedness

Trick Or Treating – Downtown -- Wetmore Plaza, down Colby from 26th to Hewitt, with businesses. Halloween costume contest.

Listening sessions – Alex Lark (as a Planning Commissioner) attended several neighborhood meetings – he was asking about when in the process, we want to learn about a project. How would community members want to be engaged.

Dennis responded about building development notifications and ReThink Zoning. This can be included in changes being discussed.

5:30 **NEIGHBORHOOD REPORTS**

IX. Reports:

Bayside: Held NNO at Wetmore plaza – liked setting, about 100 people. Lots of good activities. Meeting 15 people, never have council, had police, fire. Had three speakers – Mary’s place – cultural arts for children. Dawson Place child advocacy center. Ann Ewald wants to speak to neighborhoods. Port speaker Cat Soper, very good speaker. KC property of special interest to neighbors. Mayor at next meeting.

Boulevard Bluffs: not active

Cascade View / Twin Creeks: 7 people police, fire, schools, no council member. Had special presentation on high performance CPR, 8-9 crew-members demo on heart attack response. Very cool demo. Audubon organizer also attended. Ma Candidate forum on Oct 21.

Delta: No one able to attend.

Evergreen: not active.

Glacier View: met with 32 people, getting reactivated.

Harborview-Seahurst-Glenhaven: changed to ice cream social at NNO had 95 people. Sept meeting 30 people, police. Mayor spoke on a number of updates and homeless in parks. Evergreen Middle School.

Lowell: 14 people, police and council, no fire or schools. Steamboat presentation by Alex Alexander. New website – Lowellneighborhood.org Name changed to Historic Lowell.

Northwest: 37, police, fire, city council, speakers were John McCoy and Mike Sells, took a lot of questions. Concerns. Next meeting at Washington Oakes.

Pinehurst: Had meeting on July 23, 14 people, police, fire, council. NNO – had miniature golf course, Valley View attended, had ice cream cookies and candy. Gave out books from Lions Club and eye screening. CERT had a table.

Port Gardner: 60 people, Mayor spoke, City Council, police, topic was ‘ask the Mayor’. Supportive housing, lots of people.

Riverside: NNO event doubled in size, Sharing Wheels did helmet fitting, health care info. Little League did the cooking. Over 200 people attended. 16 meeting, police, city council, new principal from Garfield. No fire. Main speaker – YMCA spoke. Very good speaker. Bat lady next month.

Silver Lake: Next meeting tomorrow night. Sheriff Trenary is invited guest speaker.

South Forest Park: 4 people, no visitors.

Valley View: 13 people, only police, had 911 tour very good, Karl Christian led tour, very good.

View Ridge / Madison: 22 people, council member, fire, no police. Had special meeting in August, Alison Ahlgrim from Clare's place,

Westmont/Holly: 15 people, police, city council, David Stalheim, zoning info on line. Training class on land use and zoning. Intro to use of online tools.

5:27

FIVE ITEMS TO REPORT

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1. Marijuana retail update – Councilmember Tuohy
2. Adopt A Park clean up Mary Heilesen
3. Civil Discourse – Oct 3 at Cascade High School
4. Climate Action Plan – Oct 15 5:30pm at old city hall
5. Bring Your Bag

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5:58 p.m.

Next meeting Oct 28, 4PM