

TPNA Steering Committee Minutes
1608 Glenwood Ave SE
February 12, 2007

Members in attendance: Daniel Goldman, Donna Thorkildson, Laura Silbernagel, Marina Higgins, Richard Thorkildson, Sue Dahlberg. **Members absent:** Carol Knutson (recovering from surgery), Debbie Dixon, Jody Collins, Rosemary Quesenberry. **Others in attendance:** Frances Goldman.

President's Report - Daniel Goldman - Called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. Steering Committee approved minutes from previous meeting. Jody Collins has agreed to serve as secretary again, since Kathy Shangula moved. Jody was not able to attend tonight, so Donna Thorkildson is writing minutes. Status report - Carol Knutson is recovering from knee surgery. There is a City Leadership meeting on Saturday 2/24 at 9 am to 11:30 am. Richard Thorkildson, Marina Higgins, Laura Silbernagel, Daniel Goldman and Frances Goldman have said they would like to go.

Treasurer's report - Richard Thorkildson - We started the year with \$240 and 36 supporting members. In the month of January we added four new supporting members totaling 40. We also had a donation of \$15 and a News Paper grant award of \$532. The Ginger creek Park water fund was transferred to TPNA which was \$42.74. Out of this, two utility bills for Ginger Creek Park of \$23.29 were paid, to the City of Renton, giving TPNA a total balance of \$826.45. Daniel Goldman requested funds approved to make signs for General Meeting. Funds were approved by the steering committee. Richard Thorkildson will be doing the TPNA tax forms for the non-profit org. Richard Thorkildson has requested second approval prior to sending in the TPNA taxes. Daniel Goldman volunteered to for this task, which was approved by the steering committee.

Annual meeting - Daniel Goldman - March 27 at the Fairwood (Library). 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Daniel will modify and place announcement signs. Daniel will draft a letter to the School District Superintendent requesting use of the Elementary School for further large meetings. Discussed the letter drafted by Donna Thorkildson to the City regarding icy streets and speeding. Daniel was contacted by Ron Mars from the City and Peter Hahn have made responses to the letter. Speed study and signs will be up soon. And some police officers and possibly some of our neighbors can sit in the area using a speed gun. We have invited some of these people to our general meeting. *** Main planned topic is icy conditions on SE 16th St, and speeding in neighborhood. The plan is to have the city of Renton make a presentation, and have general discussion about the problems and possible solutions. Motion to reimburse up to \$5 for one sign from Staples for replacing date. Need two volunteers to staff table. Donna Thorkildson and Laura Silbernagel have volunteered. *** The idea was raised

to invite the Mayor to the General Meeting. Daniel said he would make the invitation. *** Marina has volunteered to coordinate refreshments. Bring some refreshments. *** Chairpersons will be giving brief statements about each of the committees. *** Confirmed proposed officer slate - Daniel Goldman (Pres), Marina Higgins (VP), Jody Collins (Sec), Richard Thorkildson (Treas), Carol Knutson, Debbie Dixon, Donna Thorkildson, Laura Silbernagel, Sue Dahlberg. Need to discuss new steering committee member. Frances Goldman has volunteered.

Garage sale - Laura - Report on 2006 garage sale profit / loss - Laura Silbernagel. We originally collected \$295. \$5 back to Jody Collins since she didn't open her door. 52 families participated. There were 46 total garages open. We had 7 helpers this year. Our total costs were \$272.30. The remaining funds will be discussed by the garage sale committee as to whether they will be reinvested, however, that is the assumption.

Info - Laura Silbernagel - Passed around draft newsletter. The newsletter committee decided to only allow business card size advertising for \$50. Partly based on research from Kennydale NA and Daniel's previous NA. Unanimous vote to have that policy. Appreciation was expressed for Debbie's offer to print and mail newsletter in exchange for one page insert. But it was considered the insert might look too commercial for a neighborhood newsletter. We could still consider mailing newsletter in future (which also involves a lot of work), but we'll continue handing out for now.

Parks - Sue - Kiosk in Tiffany Park. Richard and Daniel met with the city. City has agreed to build the kiosk, along with building construction in TP. Discussion on kiosk placement. The two top choices are inside the parking lot or parallel and next to the sidewalk to the play area. *** Ginger Creek Park - Sue discussion about trees, and what trees will they be and where can they be planted. We need to resign a contract to use the property. Sue wants to purchase 2 more benches, and some more realistic ground cover that does not have to be mowed so often. Work is on hold for now because of that.

New Business. Garbage maintenance, with trash left on street, especially Glenwood. Enlighten people on the proper way to store their garbage, and getting containers taken back from the street. We have agreed that it will be mentioned in upcoming newsletter.

Transportation - Ice on 16th St SE. Zoning issues. Donna wrote draft letter to city. Daniel edited the letter and sent it. Not much response from city yet. Daniel sent another email to get some action from city. *** Large discussion about traffic on S.E. 16th St., in preparation for discussion at general meeting. Speed bumps v turtles, stop signs, stop lights, turning circles, close off 16th. No solution has been found. ZT - Daniel Goldman - Ice on 16th St SE.

Speeding in neighborhood. Donna drafted letter. Daniel sent to city staff and mayor. Minimal response from city as of 2/10. Next steps.

Zoning - Kathy moved because of nuisance property. Sue still has to live next door to it. Daniel drafted letter to city. Sue will work on completing a strong letter to address hazardous house and property problems to get addressed ASAP to get results from the City of Renton on their enforcement.

Annual meeting - March 27 at the Fairwood (Library). 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Next SC Meeting: 2nd Monday in April, 4/9/07, 7 pm, 1608 Glenwood Ave SE (Daniel's house)

Meeting adjourned 8:39.

Action items:

- Daniel - finish newsletter
- Daniel - organize general meeting
- Daniel - Invite city officials to general meeting
- Daniel - Redo general meeting signs and place
- Daniel - Write letter to superintendent.
- Debbie - Get police committee going
- Donna - hold youth cmt meeting
- Laura - newsletter distribution
- Marina - general meeting refreshments
- Richard - tax return
- Sue - work on letter concerning nuisance property next door

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TPNA secretary