

**Tiffany Park Neighborhood Committee  
Steering Committee Meeting  
May 12, 2008 7 p.m.  
Thorkildson's**

In Attendance: Donna Thorkildson, Richard Thorkildson, Laura Silbernagel, Pam Carino, Doug Ferneau, Jody Collins, Marina Higgins, Clint Maurer, La Tonya Rogers Absent: Carol Knutson

President Jody Collins opened the meeting at 7:06.

Items:

1) Discussion and Approval of minutes from April 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting. Moved, seconded and approved with two typos.

2) Treasurer's report - Richard Thorkildson--Current balance is \$1451.00. Jody turned in a receipt for reimbursement for pictures of the pathway clean up from May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Pam C. questioned whether or not we needed a form to submit with receipts. Richard explained his process for tracking expenses; we think it's sufficient without using reimbursement forms.

A. Discussion of paying Mr. Maeshiro (the neighbor at the head of the pathway to Tiffany Park Elementary) for use of water for pressure washing last Saturday. Everyone agreed we would reimburse him \$50.00. Richard will make out a check and Jody will hand deliver it to him with a thank you note.

3) Review of pathway clean up:

A. Letter to Mayor suggestion: Bill Roenicke spoke of his conversation with Linda Knight from the City of Renton, thanking her for their help. She suggested we let Mayor Denis Law know—all committee members agreed. (Be sure to cc Linda Knight, say thanks for coordinating the dumpster pick up and **send pictures.**)

--Pam C. went to Tiffany Park Elementary to share recognition with the teachers about which children participated in the clean up.

--Richard T. also went to the school to talk to the Principal (who didn't know there was a pathway there). He asked about getting signs to post on the street lamp poles at each end that say 'Drug Free Zone' or something similar, and will follow up on that.

--Doug went back on Sunday and sprayed the weeds—will go back next weekend to make sure he got them all, blackberries included.

B. Neighbor in blue rental house next to pathway--Landlord's name is David Nguyen. Jody made a phone call to the landlords about having tenants clean up the garbage. It was taken care of 2 days later. However, there is a problem with the fence being broken again and bending over the pathway. Jody will call them on it.

4) Committee and Ad Hoc Committee Reports:

A. Picnic—date, committee volunteers: Donna T. reported that we have a tentative date for September. The following people have volunteered: Ron Goss, Richard Thorkildson, Pam Carino, Donna Thorkildson, Clint Maurer, Marina Higgins, Dennis Anderson and LaTonya Rogers. Donna will follow up with Rosemary about whether paperwork has been filled out with the City. Pam Carino said she asked a neighbor, Cheryl Brown, for a popcorn machine and a cotton candy machine. LaTonya said she has popcorn for the machine. Stay tuned for a committee meeting in the future.

B. Newsletter (Information)—Laura S. reported. Goal is 3 newsletters a year—1 around annual meeting—March ish, 1 around beginning of summer—June-ish, and another one at the end of the year. Laura suggested we put up signs around the neighborhood that it's coming. There was a suggestion to put the garage sale flyer IN with the newsletter.

Content suggestions/ideas to include: Picnic Date, Garage Sale Date (Aug. 1-3<sup>rd</sup>), The first day of school for Renton School District, Before and after Pathway pictures, before and after Ginger Creek pictures. (A suggestion was made: Perhaps for the December issue we can find some neighbors who have old pictures of the neighborhood.)

Question: Mailing or hand deliver? Still hand deliver to each household this time (labels helped a great deal last time.) Laura asked for volunteers: Doug, Clint, Pam and LaTonya to help pass out. The target date for the next issue will be the end of June. There was a discussion about running the newsletter in color this year. Laura will follow up with the friend that prints them for us re: costs.

C. Parks Committee report—Clint Maurer—received go ahead from the City for Ginger Creek—bark, gravel for the pathway, sealer for the sign and benches and parts and pieces for the irrigation system. Clint wants to have another work party in June, perhaps the 21<sup>st</sup> and will work on signage in the neighborhood.

D. Safety Committee—Donna T. reported: Pam Carino, Donna Thorkildson, Bob Eixenberger and Patti and Dave Phillips went to the Map your Neighborhood presentation. It's supposed to be done by block sections/cul de sacs. Info includes Names of neighbors, who has generators, where is the gas shut off, is there an elderly person in the house, or infants and so on to be used in events of an emergency or disaster. A suggestion was made that there will be a table set up at the Picnic to discuss how this is done and to explain it to the neighborhoods, with the neighborhood map and all.

### New BUSINESS

A. Richard Thorkildson made a suggestion: He saw a dumpster delivered to neighborhood of Fairwood West for clean up. Maybe we could get a dumpster 'parked' at Tiffany Park and have a general neighborhood clean up. It was suggested also that we include a clean up of electronics as well. Richard will follow up.

B. Child walking in the street near Tiffany Park Elementary and SE 18<sup>th</sup> court. LaTonya shared information about Child Protective Services (206 341-7750) We need to call individually if we see the child wandering unattended; we cannot respond as a Neighborhood Association.

C. LaTonya Rogers also added said that she spoke with the neighbors on Index Ct. in the blue rental house and told them if they need help to clean up the yard they can call. She reported that someone called 911 the other night about a disturbance. She mentioned that the tenants said there is a light pole and a light in the backyard which shine on the pathway, but it is not working. Jody will follow up with the landlords about this.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

The next meeting is June 9<sup>th</sup> at the Thorkildson's