# Minutes of the June 3, 2015 Meeting of the Steering Committee of the

# Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association of Renton, Washington

Approved on September 9, 2015

The meeting was held at the Thorkildson home and was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Donna Thorkildson.

Attending were Dave Beedon (secretary), Renate Beedon, Pam Carino (arrived late), Larry Gorg, Dave Phillips, Bill Roenicke (treasurer), Laura Silbernagel (vice president), and Donna Thorkildson (president).

Absent were Doug Fawcett, Marina Higgins, and Helen Pacheco.

Guests: Chuck and Jeannie Seil of the Cascade Neighborhood Association and Richard Thorkildson

#### ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

# 1. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES No minutes were approved.

#### 2. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Steering Committee was not discussed.

# 3. TREASURER'S REPORT

No report was made.

# OTHER BUSINESS (listed alphabetically)

#### 1. ASSOCIATION'S BOUNDARIES

Larry mentioned that the description of the association's boundaries does not include Ponderosa Estates. Dave agreed to talk to Larry later about it. Richard mentioned that the original boundary was based on that of a fire district. [Also see BYLAWS below.]

# 2. BYLAWS

Proposed changes to the bylaws were discussed. Members voted to propose changing the existing rule about term limits for officers to one that allows the treasurer's position to be exempt from the rule. (This is a follow-up to last year's general membership meeting.) Other proposed changes to that rule were eliminated. Members also voted to replace the existing description of the boundary of the association with the phrase "The Association's boundaries are in compliance with those recorded by the City of Renton." The TPNA website will retain the existing written description of

the boundaries. The proposal to add "Renton, Washington" to the header of the bylaws was not discussed.

#### 3. GARAGE SALE

Laura is owed money from last year's sale, having spent more than she took in. Laura suggested using the TPNA website to facilitate signing people up for distributing garage sale announcements. Dave Beedon agreed to work with her to accomplish that.

# 4. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP ("ANNUAL") MEETING

Members decided to re-schedule the meeting from June 11 to July 30. There is not enough time to get ready for June 11. The later date will allow for plenty of time for publishing a newsletter and announcing the meeting at the TPNA picnic. Donna will talk to RYAC to confirm availability of the recreation building on July 30 and inform members of the outcome. If July 30 doesn't work for RYAC, we will have to agree on another date via e-mail. In the meantime, an agenda for the meeting needs to be created.

#### 5. NEWSLETTER

The last one was published in October 2014. There was a brief discussion about the scheduling of the next newsletter and the subjects it should cover (details not recorded).

#### 6. PICNIC

This was the first subject discussed, as the Seils were attending to contribute to this discussion. We do not need to bring bottled water because the City is providing water and drinking cups. Attendees are encouraged to bring potluck dishes. We supply about 200 Otter Pops for the kids.. There will be separate sign-in sheets and tables for Tiffany Park and Cascade. Seattle Tilth is or will be invited. Politicians will be invited to attend but must be at a table. Insurance company people (child ID matter) are not and will not be invited. The City fire department will be invited. Chuck Seil will man a graffiti abatement booth. Waste Management might be invited. Raffle prizes will be offered, but do not obtain prizes that require any level of purchase. Tables and chairs to be provided. Picnic details to be discussed at a separate picnic planning meeting (date and location to be determined).

#### 7. SAFETY VESTS

Laura mentioned having purchased vests.

#### 8. SWEAT EQUITY

There was a brief discussion of forms to use for recording hours.

# 9. WEBSITE

Donna noticed that the TPNA website's menus did not work on her Microsoft Surface tablet. Touching the menu options displays the drop-down menus, but the drop-down menus disappear right away. Dave agreed to talk to Weebly (the website hosting company) about it.

# 10. WOODS DEVELOPMENT

Renate encouraged attendees to attend meetings at City Hall on Monday, June 8. At 3 p.m., a City Council subcommittee will discuss the TPWAG appeal of the Hearing Examiner's decision about the woods and make a recommendation for consideration by the full Council. ["TPWAG" = Tiffany Park Woods Advocacy Group.] The public may attend this meeting but not participate in it. At 7 p.m. the Council will meet and deal with the recommendation. The public may comment on any subject dealt with in that meeting. The latter meeting is the more important of the two.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned by Donna at 8:40 p.m.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Dave Beedon, Secretary.