

**Minutes of the April 18, 2018 Meeting of the
Steering Committee of the
Tiffany Park Neighborhood Association of Renton, Washington**

These minutes were approved on June 6, 2018

The meeting was held at the home of Marina Higgins and was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by President Marina Higgins.

Attending: Dave Beedon (secretary; present via teleconference), Sue Dahlberg, Larry Gorg, Marina Higgins (president), Lynda Reed, and Bill Roenicke (treasurer).
Absent: Pam Carino (vice president), Reid Heimbeck, David Phillips,

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. AGENDA

There was a brief review of the agenda.

2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Dave Beedon asked members to approve the minutes of the previous meeting (March 14, 2018) of the Steering Committee. He noted that the only suggested change to what he had recorded was a correction of the name of Carrie Nass, a City of Renton employee. A motion was made and seconded to approve. Members voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

3. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Steering Committee will be held at 7 p.m. on June 6, 2018 (Wednesday) at the home of Lynda Reed.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

Bill reported on the state of the Association's finances. We now have 62 supporting (paying) members, the third highest count in the history of the Association. He recently allocated \$110 for the purchase of advertising banners to be installed at Ginger Creek Park. Marina displayed the banners: "Tiffany Park"; "Garage Sale"; "Annual Meeting." Details about finances are available from Bill.

Bill also mentioned that the recent grant request submitted to the City was "rejected" by Drey Hicks, who instructed Bill to just submit receipts for expenses and the City would re-imburse us for them. Members were concerned that such a deviation from the City's existing grant process, based on one person's verbal statement, was worrisome. We should get some official clarification about this to protect ourselves.

OTHER BUSINESS (listed alphabetically)

1. ACTION ITEMS

Dave will provide contact information to Lynda regarding reservation of the RYAC building in Tiffany Park.

Lynda will secure a reservation of the RYAC building during the summer for the annual meeting.

2. ADVERTISING IN NEWSLETTER

After a brief discussion about fees for advertising in the newsletter, the members agreed on the following rates for publication in one newsletter:

- Business card: \$25 for supporting members and \$37 for non-members
- Quarter-page of text: same rates as for business card
- One-line of text: free to everyone.

For the next newsletter, any payments should go to Dave so he knows who can have an ad in the newsletter. He will forward payments to Bill.

3. ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

This year's meeting will involve a vote by members on the proposed change to the bylaws (see BYLAWS below). Lynda is charged with establishing a date for the meeting, which should occur between mid-June and mid-July. See ACTION ITEMS.

4. BYLAWS

Dave summarized his idea of changing the bylaws to get rid of the mandatory three-year term limit rule for officers, explaining that instead we should have the bylaws state only a preference for such a limit. The change would also delete the exemption for the position of treasurer. Members unanimously agreed to use the wording suggested by Dave for an announcement (in the newsletter) to the residents and a formal vote at the annual meeting this summer.

5. GARAGE SALE

The garage sale will take place July 27-29. It will be a simple affair. As in the past, it will be up to residents to conduct a sale at their own home. No one will have to pay a fee. We will apply for a grant from the City to cover expenses. The advertising for the event will be announcements on the website and Nextdoor.com, an article in the next newsletter, and posting of "A boards" on the street. There will not be a project manager, but Dave agreed to act as a focal point for the purpose of answering questions about the event.

6. CLEAN-UP EVENT

We will stage a clean-up weekend during which we will clean up Ginger Creek Park, the "connecting sidewalk," and the "common area" park on Pierce Avenue. We will rent a trash container and place it at Tiffany Park for residents to dispose of junk. Dave suggested having a person stationed at the container to prevent abuse of the service. In conjunction with this event we will stage a scavenger hunt (details not discussed). Bill is the focal point for the clean-up. Lynda is the focal for the scavenger hunt.

7. NEWSLETTER

(The last one was published in November 2017.)

The next newsletter will be distributed during the week beginning on Friday, June 1. It will require articles on the typical subjects and will describe the desired change to the bylaws.

8. PICNIC

There will be no picnic this year.

9. TRAFFIC

Larry is continuing to deal with the City of Seattle regarding the use of the Ginger Creek Park street shoulder as a commuter parking lot. The issue at hand is determining who has legal jurisdiction over the ground that is being used for parking.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Marina at 8:38 p.m.

Minutes were recorded and submitted by Dave Beedon, Secretary.