**Juanita Neighborhood Association**

***Board Meeting Minutes***

Monday, August 7th, 2023 - 7 - 8pm

**Zoom Meeting**

In attendance from the JNA Board: Doug Rough, Jennifer Salem, Rob Scarber, Leo Gilbert, Margaret Bouniol, Susan Kantor, Brad LaPlante

**I. Welcome Guests - Introductions.**

**II.** **Purpose Statement – Statement of our “why’s”**

*The members of JNA have fun creating community through activities and initiatives that improve the neighborhood and develop relationships in order to serve the residents and visitors in the Juanita Area.*

1.       Improve Neighborhood physically (parks, clean up, and work projects)

2.       Build relationships by developing community (events, meetings, parties)

3.       Provide Opportunities for the residents to get involved

4.       Provide input to the City of Kirkland on issues and policy

**III. Approve June Board Meeting minutes**

**IV.** **Goals /Business Carried Forward –** Current report of JNA’s Activities

* **We have a new board member, Brad LaPlante!** Please welcome Brad. He is a neighbor and a new father! We voted unanimously to welcome Brad to the JNA Board!
* **Get flyers printed and distributed for the Welcome to Juanita event** (last year we had this done in early June, so we are late! Hope we can get this done in less than a week! Rob will get these updated with coupon information, and get 500 printed at Minuteman Press.
* **Get info on Welcome to Juanita event up on our web site**! Jennifer said she will work on this. In the past, we basically put the flyer on the web site, so I think that is the hold-up here. Jennifer said that Weebly was acquired by Square as the website platform, and now requires a credit card, and a lot of personal information that we haven’t had to submit in the past, she and Rob are looking into this after tonight’s meeting.
* **Other Welcome to Juanita planning**: Leo is concerned that the power won’t be on at the amphitheater for his band. Margaret will try to get the power turned on, she already spoke with Nicki. Leo thinks it’s a good idea to have the generator in reserve, as someone from the Parks Dept would have to be present to turn on the power. If Leo’s band member brings his generator, and we use it, we pay $50, if we don’t use it we pay $25. Doug cautioned that if we spend the $3200 on the event, then that is our budget for the year. Susan said her father in law’s band wants to play, 3 members, $100/musician (Singing in the rain band, Ukrainian band). Leo said all musicians should get paid the same, $100 each, or $75 of that’s all the budge allows. If they were only paid $25, it wouldn’t be worth their time, understandably. We voted to spend $1500 total for live entertainment. Susan asked if Singing In The Rain can share the flyer to their Facebook, SM, etc. Susan is working on getting an ice cream truck to stop by the event (at no charge to JNA).
* **City Councilmember Amy Falcone has agreed to attend the WTJ event and bring something "fun"**
* **The police have agreed to advertise the event on their Twitter (X?) feed.**
* **Board members need to go over all the expenses we expect for the event.**
* **Rob, please bring and show our budget so we can vote how much to pay the entertainers.**
* **Prepare for the September general meeting on Monday, September 11th.**
  + So far, the only thing I have on the agenda is the city of Kirkland talking about the update to Juanita's official neighborhood plan. As you may recall, for some reason the last neighborhood plan update (2015 I think) did not include the Juanita Public Pathway, which was a major omission. We will make sure that is not omitted this time. Doug suggested that we invite Leandra to the general meeting to discuss the JPP.
  + Rob and Brad will pair up to coordinate date, time, and invitations for putting up the remaining lights around the exterior of the holiday lights, on or around the weekend before Thanksgiving. As our budget is tight, we may ask local businesses like Starbucks, Urban Coffee, and Top Pot Doughnuts for donations.
  + Student Community Service Award, winner TBD
  + Possible presentation from Karen Story regarding Kirkland temporary sign code and recruiting volunteers. Doug sent Karen an email invitation to present at the next General Meeting.
* **Juanita Village Holiday Lights.** Rob and Brad will coordinate to create the holiday lights event, more to follow.

**V. Goals /Business Carried Forward**

* **Next JNA Board Meeting** - (Zoom) Monday, September 4th, 2023 at 7:00pm.
* **Next JNA General Meeting** – (Zoom) Monday, September 11th, 2023 at 7:00pm.

**VI. Adjournment -** The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.