



Juanita Neighborhood Association

Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 5, 2021 - 7 - 9pm

Zoom Meeting

In attendance from the JNA Board: Doug Rough, Brian Magee, Jennifer Salem, Rob Scarber, Leo Gilbert, Launa Johnson, and Peter Avelar. Also attended: Noah Lindblom, David Allen

I. Welcome Guests -- Introductions. Reading and approval of minutes from last meeting

- COK has declared that no physical meetings will be allowed at Kirkland Justice Center until June 1
- Plan a September and November general meeting at the Police Station
- Discussed that models may predict herd immunity in WA state by end of May
- March meeting minutes were approved

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

- Review previous minutes - minutes were approved
- Student Community Service Award Winner -- Noah Lindblom - Rob will send Noah a check for \$100. For volunteering at Evergreen Hospital, science tutoring at MS, member of Key Club at JHS (like honor society, e.g.- put up Christmas lights, pick up trash), honor society is more school related activities
- Update on Safety Projects - JNA was the number one project selected - the same as last year, crosswalk improvements, at 108th / Edith Moulton, just waiting for council approval
- Treasurer report - checking account balance is \$6161.77
- Jennifer - social media - FB and emails. Jennifer has put up emails on the website. She has put meeting minutes on the JNA website
- Update on Launa's sign project - Dr Seuss theme/signs. Sent signs to Minuteman Press, they are reviewing for size, will create signs by EOW.
- David Allen - Lives in Moss Bay. On behalf of Kirkland Greenways: **“Lake Washington Promenade Pilot”**
Concept: ask city to open up West side of Lake Washington to pedestrians & bikes, by putting candlesticks along parking area. More room for pedestrians to walk. All benefit, residents and visitors. How can JNA help? Make a public statement in which we support the promenade in the 2021 summer time frame (August). Business support? Split, restaurants support b/c of foot traffic, less from shop keepers, due to not being able to take items away. E.g. Atlanta “The Beltline” rings the city (old railroad) with a number of businesses. When rail line was converted to a trail, many businesses saw a boost to business. Brian Magee: Transportation Commission was also supportive of this. Work with Carillon Point to absorb parking. Also work with churches, etc. Asking city: can there be signage? Directing attendees to “designated” parking areas.
- Doug took a vote: approved. Ask Leo to bring up this project with KAN as well. David will send us the language of support, we will add it to our letterhead, and send to the City of Kirkland.
- Start organizing Welcome To Juanita event now, for September. Need to apply to city for permits. Doug asked Noah to check with JHS for musicians, Noah suggested the jazz band. 2nd or 3rd weekend in September. Part of “Welcome Week USA”

- Who wants to organize the take-down of the holiday lights? When? Jennifer Salem volunteered

IV. New Business

Other? Next meeting is April 26th (May meeting, normally May 3rd) Then June 7th, no July, then August 2nd (we will then decide if September general meeting as well as welcome to Juanita meeting) For the next meeting,

Rob: setup a zoom meeting, send to Jennifer, she'll send via MailChimp for Board Members.

Launa: got Juanita Beach structure planted, park paid for it. Carol Dean (parks PIC) participated too. Can ask Molbak's for donations for sunflowers, etc. Jennifer suggested a cleanup party at Juanita Beach. Who will ask the city for permission? Launa said that Carol said, due to large size of Juanita Beach, as long as social distancing is observed, it would be approved. Last cleanup was about 4 years ago. Organizer picks a time, city will provide tools, we supply food/beverage, (ask restaurants for 50% discount) Arbor Day or Earth Day (4/22) are good targets, involve schools, budget for F&B? We already have cleanup money.

- Lights take down - Jennifer will organize. We need to test lights and light posts. Jennifer will ask city to test the poles for Saturday 4/10 at 10am
- Leo - project that Doug discussed, trail by Forbes Creek Drive, already exists? Continuing the trail that dead-ends. Continue the trail, send under the bridge to the causeway. Leo says trail heads North/South, travel that dead ends in a marsh, Doug means one that heads East/West (NE 108th Ave NE, and 108th St, go west, street turns into gravel. Street goes about 7 blocks, then dead ends) Send under 98th Ave, near FS 21, to south end of the causeway.
- Rob is asking the JNA board to help find in meeting minutes when we voted to approve different budget projects. Ask the city for what projects specifically they want to see our vote on.
- We need November minutes. We voted in November on the current budget cycle.

VI. Adjournment