



Juanita Neighborhood Association

Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 7, 2022 - 7 - 8pm

Zoom Meeting

In attendance from the JNA Board: Doug Rough, Jennifer Salem, Rob Scarber, Brian Magee, Leo Gilbert

Also in attendance: Asiran, Margaret, Ingrid

I. Welcome Guests - Introductions. Reading and approval of minutes from last 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. Approve January General Meeting minutes

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

- **Student Community Service Award Winner** - Asiran Chaing - Boy Scouts, achieved rank of Eagle Scout in November. Asiran’s service hours have been accruing since elementary school. He has lots of service work during COVID. Staff member at Cub Scout day camps, station leader, labor (clean up at trails, remodel trails, landscaping). For his Eagle Scout project, he planned built cubbies for toddlers for Les Lilas school in Kirkland.
- **Doug invited Margaret Bouniol to join the JNA Board**, the board unanimously voted yes, welcome Margaret! Margaret explained she had 15 years of experience of working with the COK Planning department, and can be a great resource for navigating various city departments.
- **Ingrid** added her non-support for adding sidewalks near Josten’s Park.
- **Schedule support of Austin's paint project**. We talked about providing food for volunteers or money for a sign. I understand that Spud will be providing some food. What support should we provide? What makes sense?
- **Schedule takedown of Holiday Lights at Juanita Village** - Rob suggested a Saturday in March, start at 10am? Take down takes around 45 minutes to 1 hour with 6-8 volunteers. Margaret suggested leaving the lights up year-round, Doug concurred. We voted to leave the lights up!
- **Neighborhood Plan**. The neighborhood plan revision seems to be on hold--what should we do now? Doug said the plan has been delayed (6 months to 1 year) due to staffing. Doug discussed a

walking/biking path that was suggested in the last neighborhood plan (2015) that has not been acted upon by the city. That pathway was from the Brickyard Road P&R through Windsor Vista park, through Edith Moulton park, alongside Juanita Substation, alongside Juanita High School, through Heronfield park then connecting to the Cross Kirkland Corridor. The first part is outside of city limits, but a strip of land belonging to Sound Transit could be used as a path to the northern border of Kirkland at NE 145th near I-405. There is an existing path alongside Juanita Substation that could be opened to the public. The section alongside the eastern border of Juanita High School would actually allow students southeast of the school to walk there, which is nearly impossible now as there is no JHS access from the southeast. Margaret noted that city funds are often used for people who speak up at City Council and other meetings, so we should do that.

- **Safety Project update:** Brian: 137th crossing was funded last year, will go to construction/completion within next 6 months. Future safety projects are stalled due to short staffing at the city.
- **Treasurer report:** checking account balance is \$5,566.00
- **Planning agenda for March General Meeting.** Leo will report on KAN. Jennifer suggested an update on permits for the Welcome Event.
- **Social media/emails:** Jennifer has put meeting minutes on the JNA website, posts relevant community events to the JNA Facebook page, and sends out relevant community related happenings to the JNA email list.
- **Welcome Event planning** - Nicci Osborn (Program Director for City of Kirkland Parks Dept) steered Leo towards a Neighborhood Picnic permit rather than an Event Permit, since it would still allow for entertainment. Doug suggested that holding the event at Edith Moulton would provide one large shelter for bands. Leo said the city was more restrictive this last year due to COVID concerns. Harvest Festival had food trucks, and tons of other features. The board took a vote, and voted to hold the Welcome Event at Juanita Beach Park again, and possibly to alternate at Edith Moulton Park next year.

V. **Next JNA Board Meeting** - (Zoom) Monday, March 7, 2022 at 7:00pm
Next JNA General Meeting - (Zoom) Monday, March 14, 2022 at 7:00pm
No meetings in July, Welcome Event 3rd weekend of September

VI. **Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm**