

May 14, 2019

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MEADOWBROOK COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

At 7:00 pm the President, Pam Bowe, called the meeting to order. There were 14 attendees, including at least 9 voting members in attendance.

Minutes The minutes of the March 12, 2019 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Wilma Boyd reported the Council has \$2,127.09 on deposit at BECU.

Meadowbrook Pond Rehabilitation Project A presentation on the project was given by Jonathan Brown, Sr. Civil Engineer & Project Manager; Brenda Gardner, Associate Civil Engineer; and Dylan King, Sr. Communications & Outreach Specialist, Seattle Public Utilities. Mr. Brown invited the public to be added to their project updates via entering their email on a SPU handout. This project is dependent on obtaining the necessary permits.

Mr. Brown [ph.(206) 386-4027 reported at the end of May, 2019 Seattle Public Utilities' contractor will prepare to dredge the SW section of the pond. They intend to have at least part of the park open during construction. By mid June the contractor working in the SW section will begin. Their "fish window" to disturb the creek is July 1st through September and they hope to be finished before September. There is a project website at www.Seattle.gov/utilities/environment-and-conservation/projects/meadowbrook-pond-facility-rehabilitation

Ms. Gardner [ph.(206)256-5139] is in charge of ongoing maintenance for the Pond Park. She distributed graphics illustrating the various stages in the function of the pond. The fore bay is to slow the speed of the water to allow the sediment to drop out. During high flow times, water can overflow the weir and fill other areas in the pond. Once the sediment reaches a certain height in the pond, SPU is required to dredge the pond to reduce the sediment level back to a baseline height. They plan to conduct annual dredging of the fore bay to keep sediment

from migrating into other areas of the pond, which would require more expensive dredging. They hope to only have a major dredging every 5-10 years. There will be a similar dredging operation at a site in Lake City, 125th Street & 35th Street. SPU is also taking steps to reduce the amount of erosion entering the creek and being carried downstream to the pond as well as the quality of the water.

www.seattle.gov/utilities/environment-and-conservation/projects/thornton-natural-drainage is a website for one of the steps SPU is taking to improve the water flowing into the Pond. Of 22 detention sites in the City, the Meadowbrook Pond has the best amenities. Over 130 species of birds, as well as deer, beavers, coyotes, river otters, and fish have been seen at the Pond.

NE Tool Library Ms. Susan Gregory spoke about the NE Tool Library. It moved last year to the La Villa Dairy site on Fischer Pl. NE, just off Lake City Way NE. It has over 2,000 active members and over 7,000 tools. They have a “fix it” night twice a month to help members repair broken tools. In addition to tools, they have many cooking tools, food drying apparatus, and a bike repair station. They ask for a \$50 donation to join. For their hours, visit their website at NESeattletoollibrary.org

Community Update The Lake City Farmer’s Market is resuming June 6th and will have 14 new vendors. It is open Thursday afternoons next to the City Library at NE 125th & 28th Ave NE.

SDOT plans to complete a sidewalk section on the south side of NE 110th Street from 40th to Sand Point Way NE. The south side of NE 110th will be the only complete east west sidewalk in NE Seattle. On NE 105th Street where it turns into NE 106th, some signage will be installed to reduce accidents.

Social Activism Movies Ms. Peterson said there is a social activism movie on the second Friday of every month at Our Lady of the Lake Church Jubilee Hall at 7pm. Google “Wedgewood Meaningful Movies” for more information.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm.

By: Michael Reinhardt, Secretary