

May 9, 2012 RBCC Membership Meeting Minutes

Su Harambe, President opened meeting 7:03pm

Minutes and officer reports are printed on the back of agenda. No objections or questions raised by the membership.

Question Round: Self-introductions and what is your idea of summertime fun?

Reports: Treasurer Report-

Old Business:

1. Friday South District won the Waste Management Recycle Challenge Contest!-Recognition given to 2 key supporting groups, the Filipino Community and Rainier Beach High Tools4Grads group. Kathie Weibel gave a recap of what the special committee's events/action plans were during the contest.
2. Committee Reports: Membership Committee has created/printed business cards for RBCC -Carol O'Brien. We now have A-board signs for meeting days at strategic corners-Jennifer Kantzer
Finance: - 501C3-4 process still being worked on
3. Bridge to Beach-clean up won a price for best weed clearing sites: 57th and Waters, both sides of street.
4. Land Acquisition by Parks Department- areas we worked on during Bridge to Beach Clean Up. We can get grants for improvements once it is acquired by the Parks Department. Our proposal has to be submitted by June 11, 2012, hard action Plan submitted by Sept 12, 2012. Su Harambe and Jenifer Pritchard are working on this together.

New Business:

1. Proposals for using Recycle Challenge Award of \$50,000.00 due by end of June 2012. Anyone with project ideas should submit to RBCC with basic budget required for the project.
2. May 17 noon. Award Ceremony with Waste Management presenting the award at our normal meeting place, VFW Hall noon.
3. Rainier Beach Art Walk September 15, 2012-volunteers needed.
4. Announcements: Emergency Preparedness HUB meeting 9-10:30 am at Rainier Beach Methodist Church May 12.

Project Discussions for Recycle Challenge Award:

1. Rainier Beach High school Courtyard refurbish/refresh -Ajhani Luna and Kumar Nessenbaum, Rainier Beach High School students, presenters. Tables and benches are overgrown; presently the area isn't used or even accessible. Cafeteria doors do open onto the space, but due to its condition, the doors are locked there. Students currently have no space to gather on campus for lunch outside the cafeteria so they hang out at the Saar's Grocery Store parking lot. Making this space useable and attractive may attract more students and boost enrollment.
2. Gateway to 57th - at Rainier: Add trees or Expand Sidewalk, Paving cross-walking area with red bricks. Planter Boxes as buffers between Rainier Ave and sidewalk, art installation at Rainier Band 57th by local artist. Put into action some parts of the Rainier Beach Neighborhood Plan approved and registered with the City. Planter boxes, - Jennifer Pritchard

3. Hutchinson Play Field-Get bathrooms open and useable-Kathy Weibel
4. Old Trolley relocated and refurbished at Rainier Beach substation on Henderson and Seward Park Ave. Get the idea going by painting trolley on public trashcans, Safeway shopping bags, etc. - Donovan O'Brien.
5. Signal Boxes Painted on Corners – Rudy Castillo
6. Curb build outs to slow traffic on Renton Ave. Cost \$15k/curb bump out-Bob Rosenberger
7. Install recycling bins at Rainier Beach High School – Richard Hodgkin
8. Overgrown grass at medians on Waters Ave So.-install landscaping at ends of the medians to make it look better, mini park benches.

Meeting Adjourned 8:25pm

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