

WFNA Meeting
General Meeting Minutes
September 13th, 2016

Call to order 7:00 PM

Board members present:
Rick Sawyer - President
Steve Williamson - Secretary

Tapio Holma - Treasurer

Attendance: 15 people

1. Welcome to the Neighborhood meeting.
2. Call to order and approval of last meeting minutes
3. Information and updates from BPD Officer Eric Osterkamp
 - Litter Control Officer Langley West has been hired by the Bellingham Police Department to oversee litter problems and the homeless camps in Bellingham. He can be contacted at 360.778.8623
 - All uniformed police officers now will be wearing audio/video cameras
 - A new Campus Coalition Coordinator has been hired for liaison between WWU and the City of Bellingham. She will handle any off campus problems involving WWU.
 - 911 should be called for any unusual occurrences including whenever graffiti is spotted. This creates a record and can help complete a trail or investigation that officers are doing. For something that has happened in the past or is hearsay call the Dispatch Center at 360.676.6911.
4. Puget Sound Energy Representatives in the neighborhood
 - Staff will be wearing bright yellow PSE shirts and will be passing out LED bulbs to residents.
 - Will be going door to door to 7,000 homes from September 19th until October 7th.
 - PSE is also hosting an event at Lowe's on Saturday, September 17th.
5. Bellingham Bay Marathon
 - Race date is Sunday, September 25th and will hold 10K and 5K marathons.
 - Traffic summary is at <http://www.bellinghambaymarathon.org/rac.....>
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6. Water treatment plant art wall and fence information
 - Blend the water treatment plant improvements into the surrounding area
 - Improve security
 - <https://www.cob.org/news/Pages/features/...>
7. Introduction of Kurt Nabbefeld, Planning and Community Development
 - ♣ Neilson Brothers logging project status south of Alvarado:

- o Logging is complete
- o Area will be re-forested with Douglas Fir trees
- o So far it appears that area will not be converted to non-forestry area within the next 10 years.
- o Moratorium of 10 years can be changed if penalty fee is paid to the Whatcom County Tax Assessor
- o Area is zoned for eventual residential housing
- o Any development would require extension of Lopez Street with access to Yew Street to prevent traffic using roads north to access Lakeway Drive
- o Explained overall process of steps that are needed to be taken before any building is allowed.
- o Three code enforcement officers have been added to the Bellingham Police Department

8. Treasury report

- WFNA has \$69.48 in it's savings account

9. Upcoming meeting will be held November 15 at 7PM instead of November 8th as the 8th is Election Day.

Meeting adjourned 9:03 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Williamson, Secretary