

NWNA Membership Meeting January 17, 2008

MINUTES of the November 15th, 2007 were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORTS: Victor Frazier.

TOTALS: General Account Checking \$2767.71
 CD ending in March \$1029.00
 Reserve Account Savings \$3653.70

MEMBERSHIP REPORT;

Diana Frazier reported that we have 63 voting members, and we have a quorum tonight, and an additional 18 visitors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Victor: IDEAtion means Idea Generation. The Chamber of Commerce wants 1,000 ideas about how to improve our city of Spokane. If you have a good idea, send it to the Chamber.

The new store "Dairy Mart" is open at the old Yokes Store on Wellesley and Assembly. Please welcome them to our Area. They will allow announcements of activities of the NWNA to be posted there. Plus 2 gallons of milk are \$5.00!

Empire Health service (a non-profit) is to be purchased by Community Health Service (a for-profit venture)

Sandy Johnson from the city's department of Neighborhood Services would like to see a Senior Center in our Area. She needs a committee of dedicated people to begin the process. There is grant money available, but there must be written grant proposal. She passed a paper for interested people to sign.

Barbara (a concerned parent at the September meeting) who told us that her 12 year old daughter was interviewed by the police at her school, and told to sign away her Miranda rights. Parents were not informed until 4 hours later. The police believe that they have that right, and the school appears to agree with them, however the state believes that any child under 16 should have a parent present. She wished to bring us up to date, so that we might know It is being pursued and is still up in the air!

Steve Corker from the City Council invited us to a meeting at 9 in the morning at the restaurant Frontier West this Saturday, the 19th to meet with a group interested in building stronger neighborhoods.

Larry Gleason our representative to the Community Assembly had this to share. The Bicycle Committee will establish arterials about the city for Bicycle Boulevards. The NWNA and other areas are to work out recreational bike path in their Areas. City Hall is undergoing a renovation, and you may have to ask where the office you wish to visit has been moved to. Mike Gonzales of KXLY will begin a news program about

neighborhoods soon. He may be reached at: cell phone # 953-2882, or Channel 4 KXLY.com..

REPORTS;

1. Website: Ann Warrington and Ivan Smith have come up with a new face for our website which can be found at: northwest.spokaneneighborhoods.org

2. Newsletter is printed twice a year by the city's dept. of N. Services and mailed to every household in each Area. We have copies if you did not receive one.. Next to be mailed in early summer, and will announce the times of our Concerts in the Pines. Diana Frazier typed this winter one for us.

3. Community Assembly is growing with the participation of more Areas, and is recognized by the city as valid program.

4. Neighborhood Planning took place several years ago, but did not have funds to continue. Now that the City Council has appropriated \$500,000 to the 27 Areas in the City, planning has begun. The next Workshop will be held February 5th at 6 PM in the City Hall.

5. NWCOPS: Is open daily from 9 – 5, except Wednesday, 9 – 9, and Saturday from 9 – 1. We need more volunteers. Training of the volunteers will be the last week of January. Phone the Cop Shop for more information.

DISCUSSION ITEM:

Albi Sports Complex – Ideas and Issues

The group attending then broke up into 5 groups who met around tables in the gym, and were led in discussion of various aspects with a map of the complex on each table which were chaired by members of the Board. Topics were (1) Swimming,