

WFNA Meeting
Board Elections
2010 September 14th

I. Call to Order, 6:35 pm

II. Welcome (Iain)

- Here to elect board members
- Association application forms available to start neighborhood roster

III. Introduction

Attendance

- 17 interested neighborhood people signed in on list

IV. Guest speakers

- Stan Snapp, Bellingham City Council

question: traffic on Lakeway - 4th lane to be added to resolve Sudden Valley traffic? **Stan:** not on the list of funded projects, this issue should be addressed by Whatcom Falls neighborhood association,

question: improvement of utilities - low and dynamic water pressure (Alvarado area), **Stan:** no plans for resolving this at the moment

question: annexation in Yew street area, **Stan:** not initiated

question: creeks - regarding car business, possibly impacting quality of water in Lake Whatcom, **Stan:** yes, issue should be addressed to city

question: another water pressure issue connected with development, **Stan:** responsibility of developers to fulfill their commitment to protect present properties

question: bike lanes on Lakeway, **Stan:** question to be raised to Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Commission, contact Public's work traffic

V. Election of Board members (exact positions to be decided later)

Nominations

Iain Davidson

Gary Jefferis

Rick Sawyer

Damian Provalenko

Renata Dalrymple

Lana Haddox

Gordon Smith

Brend Holma

Steve Williamson

Board members elected by accumulation.

Question - whether to elect Board Members now or postpone to next meeting. Due to insufficient funds for fliers distribution and addressing more people it would not be desirable to wait with election. Once Whatcom Falls Neighborhood Association becomes an organization, funds are available from the city. **Suggestion** - set up private email accounts for board members.

VI. Old Business
- Approval of Bylaws

MOTION: Update Article III, Section 1 , 1st paragraph, grammar will be updated with the following suggestion. Seconded and Passed unanimously.

"All persons 18 years or older, living in the Whatcom Falls Neighborhood or owning property or business in the Whatcom Falls Neighborhood, as defined in the City of Bellingham's comprehensive plan area eligible for membership. Those within the sphere of influence as defined by the board of directors are also eligible for membership.

VII. Idea Bin / discussions of what's next/priorities

- updating neighborhood plan, current one is old, guidance for development,
- neighborhood plan and maps to be posted on neighborhood website
- traffic at Birch street, parking permit, bikes - Alex would like to be included on bike trail related issues
- vandalism - in proximity of schools
- possibility of watch block
- owner occupied residence issue
- zoning impacting small business
- police officers input - as a host
- possibility of a park project in Whatcom Falls Park area

IX. Announcements

- It was not decided when next meeting is held. Board meeting will be held prior to neighborhood meeting.

X. Adjourned (8:05 pm)