

WFNA Meeting
2010 August 17
Topic: Bylaws approval

I. Called to Order, 6:30 pm

II. Welcome to Whatcom Falls Neighborhood meeting (Richard)

III. Introduction

Attendance

- 20 interested neighborhood people signed in on list.

Guests

- Linda Stewart, City of Bellingham, Dept of Neighborhoods
- Ann McCartney, Professional Parliamentarian

Bylaws Committee members recognition

- Richard Etters
- Iain Davidson
- Clayton Petree
- Rick Sawyer
- Allen and Mary Beth Peterson
- Tapio Holma
- Jenny Couch
- Gary Jette
- Damian Provalenlto

IV. Old Business

- April 2010 meeting, summary read by Iain, with additional comments from Richard (Interests expressed, topics of interests, formation of group with bylaws committee)

V. New Business

- Consideration and adoption of proposed bylaws (Richard reads draft v11 version, asked for discussions and comments)

On behalf of the bylaws committee, I move the adoption of the **Whatcom Falls Neighborhood Association Bylaws** with the following provisos:

- A. Provided that the secretary shall have the authority to make grammatical and typographical changes to the bylaws in order to assure editorial continuity;
- B. Provided that the first year of election, the elected directors will draw straws for one or two years terms;
- C. Provided that the board of directors will be elected at the next membership meeting September 14th, 2010 from nominations made from the floor.

- Proposed updates to version as read:

MOTION: Update Article III, Section 1 , 1st paragraph, with the following grammar corrections.
(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."

MOTION to adopt bylaws with the provisos as amended, passed unanimously.

VI. Announcements

Next meeting, September 14th, Iain facilitator pro-tem for electing board positions.

- Self Nominations allowed.
- Nominations will be allowed for people who are unable to attend.
- Association application forms available.

VII. Idea Bin (7:43 pm)

VIII. Meeting Adjourned 8:05 pm
