

MEETING MINUTES  
ICC Advisory: Feb. 9, 2010

Attending: See Attendance Roster  
Minutes submitted by: Jessica Lee

Agenda Item	Discussion / Action Taken	Follow-up Tasks
Committee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Map your neighborhood:</b> Still needing to build more interest in the project. The purpose is to map the skills and resources within a block in the event of an emergency. Areas where crime watch is already organized have been more successful.</li> <li>• <b>Historic.</b> Cottages on H St. have been accepted into the national register</li> <li>• <b>Treasurer:</b> No change since the last meeting, except for the addition of \$150-\$160 in dues since the last potluck and newsletter.</li> <li>• <b>Outreach:</b> No Report</li> </ul>	
ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Nominations:</b> Nominations for each of the five open positions were proposed. A motion to accept the nomination for each open position was made, seconded and unanimously approved by the group.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create committee to address outreach to the Mission (Earl).</li> <li>• Send information on meeting with Deputy Chief Dahl.</li> </ul>
	<p><b><u>Motion 1.</u></b> Chair: Arlene Feld. <b>Approved</b>  <b><u>Motion 2.</u></b> Vice Chair: Chris Eltrich <b>Approved</b>  <b><u>Motion 3.</u></b> Secretary: Kate Ramsden <b>Approved</b>  <b><u>Motion 4.</u></b> Area 1 Rep: Early Hutchins <b>Approved</b>  <b><u>Motion 5.</u></b> Area 4 Rep: Mike Kimmich <b>Approved</b></p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Lighthouse mission:</b> The Mission has been expanding and it may be a good time to reach out to them as a neighbor in the lettered streets. A discussion around some of the emerging issues identified with the mission population was conducted: Issues Included: vehicle parking/abandonment, vandalism, and traffic congestion. It was suggested that the City be involved in a discussion of the concerns, and that continuing to report incidents as they occur may assist with increasing a police presence.</li> </ul> <p>It was noted that a large portion of the homeless population also experience mental illness. The homeless service center was offered as a possible resource if the group was interested in scheduling a speaker to learn more about issues of homelessness in Whatcom County.</p> <p>A meeting is also scheduled with Deputy Chief Dahl of the Bellingham Police Dept. with neighborhood activists, if anyone is interested in participating.</p>	

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<p>ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS, CONT.</p>	<p>• <b>Communication:</b> Natalie McClendon spoke to the group about options related to the updating and maintenance of a website, and other ways that the Letter Streets Association could more effectively communicate. It was noted that the rights to the domain name would be ending this month, and that the individual hosting the site was no longer interested in doing so. The existing website has not been updated in several years.</p> <p>The group discussed the options presented by Natalie, including the necessary time and skill required to maintain or modify an existing webpage. Natalie indicated that the Wordpress webpage template could be easily modified for individuals with minimal training. A motion was proposed to approve changes to the Lettered Streets Association webpage and the costs associated.</p> <p><b>Motion 6: It was moved, seconded and unanimously approved to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have Natalie McClendon set up a google group for the lettered streets association</li> <li>• Have Natalie McClendon develop a new webpage through Wordpress for the Lettered Streets association with the existing domain name and remove the existing webpage.</li> <li>• Approve the \$45 annual fees associated with having an ad free webpage and maintaining the lettered streets domain name.</li> </ul> <p>• <b>Domestic Violence Vigil:</b> Karen Burke, Director, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services (DVSAS) spoke about a vigil to be developed for the victim of domestic violence in the lettered streets last Friday. A discussion was held about the Lettered streets association's support for such a vigil. The group discussed that it made sense to bring awareness to the issue of domestic violence and the following motion was made:</p> <p><b>Motion 7: It was moved seconded and unanimously approved that:</b></p> <p>The Lettered Streets Association fully endorses a vigil on behalf of the victim of domestic violence on 2/5/10 in the lettered streets, and approves DVSAS to list the Lettered Streets Association in support in any press releases or other documents.</p> <p>Various sites for such a vigil were brainstormed for the benefit of DVSAS and included Maritime heritage park, Local Community Churches, Broadway park, and a "moving" vigil through-out the neighborhood.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Follow-up with the city to see if they will pay the maintenance fees for the website.</li> </ul>

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NEXT MEETING	<b>TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2010 7:00</b>	

Board meeting

Minutes submitted by Kate Ramsden

Present: Arlene Feld, Chris Eltrich, Howard Steiner, Kate Ramsden, Rae Edwards, Shirley Mahlberg, Mike Kimmich, Earl Hutchins

December and January minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer: not present. The Annual Budget for 2010 was discussed but not finalized. The following items were estimated:

Website	\$75
Newsletter (3/yr x ~\$200 each)	\$600
Potluck	\$250
Ice Cream Social	\$100
Doorhangers	\$300
Association of Neighborhoods membership dues	\$25
Non-profit organization annual report	\$10
PO Box	\$60

Outreach committee: The calendar idea was discussed, with historic homes as a potential theme. Gardening will be the meeting topic in March, and various organizations around town will be contacted about attending the meeting.