

Lettered Streets Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2010

Attending: See Attendance Roster

Minutes submitted by: Kate Ramsden, Secretary

Agenda Item	Discussion / Action Taken	Follow-up Tasks
PROGRAM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program – Maritime Heritage Park Playground: Jonathon Schlik from City of Bellingham (COB) Parks and Recreation presented the idea of updating and moving the playground from its current location. The current playground equipment does not meet current city safety standards, and the location is not wheelchair accessible and does not have good visibility in or out of the play area. Changes to the playground area would likely trigger a change to the Master Plan. The plans are still in the scoping phase and he is looking for members of the neighborhood to sit on the steering committee. • Landlord Licensing: David Hopkinson and Anne Mackie from the York Neighborhood presented information about the landlord/rental licensing ordinance they would like the COB to adopt. Approximately 50% of the housing in the Lettered Streets are rentals, and the ordinance would affect residential rentals that are not owner-occupied. The proposed license is \$35/unit/year and the unit would be inspected every 2-3 years. • Communications: Update on the internet communications: Kate Ramsden and Rae Edwards have access to website, and Natalie McClendon is still sending out the e-bullitan. There was a discussion of how to improve communications. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rae Edwards and Earl Hutchins volunteered to be on the steering committee, and Earl would approach Mike Kimmich (not present) about participating as well. • There will be a discussion/hearing about this topic at the City Council meeting, May 24th. • Kate Ramsden, Rae Edwards, Arlene Feld, and Jim Straatman agreed to meet later to discuss internet communications strategies at Arlene's house.
BOARD MEETING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present: Arlene Feld, Howard Steiner, Kate Ramsden, Rae Edwards, Earl and Caroyln Hutchins, Rebecca Gleason, Vince Brown, Shirley Mahlberg • Minutes: March meeting minutes were approved as written. 	
BOARD MEETING: COMMITTEE REPORTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treasurer: Vince Brown announced there is \$1292 in the bank account, and was expecting another \$400 to come into it. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MNAC: Howard Steiner reported that the last meeting discussed transportation improvements, peak oil, TMDL and Lake Whatcom, and rental housing. The Fountain District meeting is on May 20th. 	
<p>BOARD MEETING: ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work Parties: Rae Edwards announced that there would be two work parties coming up to work on the Village Trail at D St. Activities include weeding and planting the eroded areas. A local Eagle Scout is planning to work on the area for a culminating project 	
<p>NEXT MEETING</p>	<p>TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2010 7:00</p>	