

Lettered Streets Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes  
June 8, 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"> <li>• <b>Program – Restoring and Maintaining Historic Homes:</b> Anna Booker, a history professor, spoke about the work she had done to restore her home, and about the Historic Resource Survey available online on the City of Bellingham website. There are maps online that show construction dates and styles of homes throughout the neighborhoods. The Lettered Streets neighborhood did not qualify for the Historic Registry because too many modifications had been made to homes, except for the Cissna Cottages. Jim Gunsolus is a local contractor who specializes in rehabilitating historic homes. He offered suggestions for repairing and winterizing old windows, and how to remove old paint from trim.</li> <li>• <b>Garden Tour:</b> The LSNA Garden Tour will take place at the end of July. Volunteers are needed to help out at each house. Photos are needed for the Garden Calendar, and can be emailed to Arlene.</li> <li>• <b>Ice Cream Social:</b> Scheduled for August 10.</li> </ul>	
BOARD MEETING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Present:</b> Arlene Feld, Howard Steiner, Kate Ramsden, Earl Hutchins, Shirley Mahlberg, Jim Straatman, Mike Kimmich, Vince Brown, Chris Eltrich</li> <li>• <b>Minutes:</b> May meeting minutes were approved as written.</li> </ul>	
BOARD MEETING: COMMITTEE REPORTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Treasurer:</b> About \$1200 was in the account on the first of the month, with an additional \$500 that was deposited that day for a total of \$1700. The final budget for 2010 was approved as drawn up on 1/12/10.</li> <li>• <b>Outreach:</b> Volunteers are needed to help with the Garden Tour.  Door hangers should be done July 8 or 9<sup>th</sup>, and will announce tours as well as upcoming meeting topics.  Website: Discussion about how to moderate the different sites.</li> </ul>	

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	<p>Jim suggested to send out announcements on Friday afternoons because that is when the most readership occurs. Also send the same messages through Facebook and E-bulletin because it might target different people.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>MNAC:</b> Howard Steiner reported that he received information at the last meeting about the Puget Neighborhood's experience with automated mailing list, which cost about \$700 for 2000 pieces of mail. They also discussed the College Community Coalition, City IQ, the new downtown parking stations, Happy Valley's plans that passed, and the June 17 Fountain District Urban Village meeting. An alternate MNAC member may be needed in September.</li> </ul>	
<p>BOARD MEETING: ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Maritime Heritage Park playground meeting</b> changed to 6/17/10, at 7 PM.</li> <li>• <b>Additional Discussions</b> about Fountain District urban village transportation, parking, and infill, and about making sure to end the LSNA monthly meeting by 8:30 PM.</li> </ul>	
<p>NEXT MEETING</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2010</b> <b>7:00</b></p>	