

Montlake Community Club Board Minutes
January 9, 2018
Boyer Children's Clinic - Lower Level

IN ATTENDANCE:

Sharsti Sandall, Bryan Haworth, Jamie Cobb, Carol Cordy, John O'Neill, Tyler Blitz, Heather Hardin, Timothy Burkart, Darcy LaBelle and guests Hans Kehl and Raj

Meeting commenced at 7:06 pm

TREASURER'S REPORT - CAROL

Treasurer, Carol Cordy presented the year-end Treasurer's Report (see attached). An outstanding item remains - city funds received versus what has been paid out to KPG. Bryan will reach out to KPG and work with Carol with the goal to zero out this credit/debit item.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TRANSPORTATION - JOHN AND SHARSTI

- Noise Variance - Sharsti celebrated the win on the Noise Variance case.
- Legal Update - Sharsti provided an overview on the current appeals case which should have a decision in late February. It was added that if the court denies the appeal in February, WSDOT has said it wants ownership of the gas station and the market.
- Sharsti went on to discuss the case against the Federal Highway Administration filed jointly with Kemper late last year. This case is based on evidence that the Federal Highway Administration did not follow proper procedure for environmental impact of SR520.
- Sharsti continued with a third appeal filed regarding Traffic Management. The owners of Montlake Blvd. Market have attempted to point out flaws that WSDOT has made. Essentially trying to prove that the state has not properly studied the traffic flow/needs/issues of the NMPT relating to the new SR520.
- John reached out to surrounding neighborhood clubs regarding joining our cause. He found five additional clubs who have committed to join our fight and add their names to the court appeal. John and Sharsti will meet with other community clubs to confirm support.
- Bryan mentioned that our state senator, Jamie Peterson is not available until March. It was suggested that we are willing to meet with him in Olympia. Bryan is waiting for a reply regarding this request.
- John commented that how the RFP is worded is key. Many options were kicked around - lease, first right to buy back.

- Just One Thing program (SDOT) - John mentioned that we have the support of the Greenway, Cascade Bicycle, as well as the Roanoke, Portage Bay, Capitol Hill community clubs - all agree the transportation plan is ineffective. John will put a list together to make things happen for the light at 24th and Lynn.
- Pramila Jayapal's first session - It was discussed that the first session held late December at Queen City Yacht Club did not go well. Entry to the venue was not easily accessible, Jayapal was not present (called back for a vote in Congress), however her staff was very attentive to the people present and reiterated their commitment to working for the neighborhoods. The next session is on January 18th 6-8pm at the Seattle Yacht Club, Fireside Room. It will be a town hall format lead by Sharsti.

COMMUNICATION - SHARSTI FOR KERRY

- Sharsti outlined the need for a community engagement survey, citing years have gone by with no formal feedback from the community on how they would like to see us spend our resources (time/talent/money). Darcy drafted a short survey as a jumping off point. It was decided to add one specific question about our traffic. It was decided we will include the survey in the January paper flyer with a link to montlake.net. The deadline to submit questions for the survey in January 15th.
- Paper Flyer - there was considerable discussion about the paper flyer - cost, distribution, allocation of time and need. Michelle and Kerry are currently working on the January 2018 issue. The goal is to have it printed and distributed by the end of January, no later. The following individuals are down for submitting content (due to Kerry by 1/16/2018) -
 - **Turkey Trot - Sharsti**
 - **Glam & Tonics Interview - Leslie/Heather ?**
 - **Cafe Lago - 25th Anniversary - Heather**
 - **Holiday Lights Recap - Darcy**
 - **UW Master Plan - Kerry**
 - **Transportation 'JUST ONE THING' Petition - John**
 - **Market Update - Bryan**
 - **Fundraising, General Ask with separate letter and envelope - Heather**
 - **President's Letter - Sharsti**
 - **Gateway Park - Carol ?**
- The ongoing concern about disseminating information to the community continued. It was decided that Jamie, Kerry and Sharsti will find tune responsibilities and reach out to the community and the University in an attempt to hire a part time communication person. Tyler proposed "Spending up to \$5,000 of available budget to hire a community communications person to help

the board on related activities.” Bryan recommended a more thorough outline of duties for clarity. Darcy seconded the motion and the vote was passed. Jamie will reach out to the Eastlake Community Club (they currently have someone hired to work on their communication) to see how they have structured their communication responsibilities. I

TURKET TROT - SHARSTI

“It’s off and running”. Chris has already begun reaching out to sponsors.

The meeting ended at 9:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Darcy LaBelle
MCC Secretary