The meeting was called to order by Chair Elizabeth Burris at 5:40 pm. Introductions were made.

**Board Members Attending:** Elizabeth Burris, Mae Harris, Rick Jones, Jo Davies, Jori Adkins, Tom Ebenhoh, Bill Garl, Dalton Gittens

**Board Members Excused:** Traci Kelly, Denny Faker, Jane Moore

**Guests:** Debbiann Thompson, Patty Luat, Mario Lorenz, Emily Roeben, Philip Bradford, Valerie Floyd, Kelly Custis, and others in attendance that did not sign in

**Approval**
- November Agenda, Special Meeting and October minutes were approved (all)
- Treasurer’s report: Estimated $1,866.53

**Staff Reports**
- **Tacoma Police Department:** Officer Custis briefed on vehicle prowls and holiday safety/burglary prevention; safety tips such as motion/timed lighting; there was considerable and interactive discussion on the challenges with enforcement/code enforcement on homeless issues; provided a brief update on the three homicides which appear gang related. She provided handouts on Tip of the Month on vehicle prowl prevention.
- **Tacoma Fire Department:** No report.
- **City Manager/Council Office:** No report.
- **Metro Parks:** Debbiann Thompson provided handouts on various events; discussed the conservatory expansion; update on the pool construction; free Thanksgiving dinner at People's Community Center. She encouraged the audience to visit the Metro Parks web site for more information.
- **Tacoma Public Schools:** Patty provided update on activities happening in the TPS, which included, but not limited to, the Innovative Schools, Industrial Design, Engineering, and Art (iDEA) program; TPS philosophy on innovative programs; update on various school construction projects; iDEA high school to open in Fall 2016 (similar to SOTA/SAMI); redrawing of school boundaries and public meetings, and update on closing of Stadium Bowl for repairs. She encouraged audience to visit the TPS web site for more information.
- **Port of Tacoma:** Carola was unavailable; however, she provided Tom open dates/times for NTNC to schedule a Port bus tour. There was some discussion and members agreed to pick one of the available dates in February (Saturday morning). Tom will contact Carola and schedule the tour.

**New Business**
- **NTNC Nominations for Board Elections in December:** Tom briefly discussed the By Laws and covered both nomination/election procedures. Liz announced Traci Kelly’s intent to be considered for nomination as she will not run for 2016 election. Two new meeting attendees, Emily Roeben and Philip Bradford expressed interest and were nominated and approved by all for elections in December. All of the remaining Board members in attendance expressed interest and were nominated for elections in December with exception of Denny Faker. Tom will bring expiring terms to the 9 December meeting.
• **Allison Gregg, Sound Transit**: Allison was unavailable; however, will follow up with invitation to attend 9 December.

• **Park Place Request for Funds letter 20 October 2015**: Some discussion on increase from prior year contributions; motion was made and all approved to provide $150.00 to support Park Place.

• **Phillip Brenfleck, City of Tacoma: Healthy Homes, Healthy Neighborhoods**: Representative was not able to attend; however, will reschedule for future NTNC meeting.

• **NTNC Corporate and Tax Law Committee**: Liz provided an update from the CC sponsored meeting and that currently NTNC would have to change the council name and possible amendment to By-Laws; however, she mentioned it was not an immediate pressing issue and will be addressed at the Annual Retreat. She encouraged Board to think of recommended new names for the Council.

• **NTNC December Social Event Planning**: Board discussed and will not have formal social event as prior years. Will have Agenda items and possibly some food/beverages. Board will continue with more interactive seating between Board members and guests.

**Old Business**

• **Korbett Mosesley: Marketing/Recruitment and Annual Retreat Moderator**: Korbett will be the moderator for the retreat. Agenda for retreat is pending.

• **NUSA Planning and possible award submission**: Liz is working with Jo and Mario on possible submission for Hilltop Street Fair pending other possible recommendations. More to follow.

• **NTNC Annual Retreat Planning**: January 23, 2016 (0900-1200), Safe Streets CR. Agenda pending.

• **Homeless Encampment Forum Follow Up**: Citizens Advisory Task Force/Committee: Appears minimal support for establishing a Task Force/Committee; however, Liz mentioned will remain an open item with more to follow.

• **2015 NTNC Action Plan Update**: No further updates; will monitor progress throughout remainder of 2015

**Council Reports**

• **Community Council**: Tom provided brief synopsis of the topics the City Manager briefed/discussed at CC to include, but not limited to, budget, needs assessment, homeless issues, efficiencies in the City and cost saving measures, 311, Project PEACE.

• **Across the Fence**: No report.

• **Correspondence**: None.

• **Reports from Neighborhoods**: Tom mentioned the public Grand Opening event of The Henry on Dock St. on 19 November. Liz mentioned inviting newly elected Council members to a future NTNC meeting.

**Announcements**

None

**Citizen Forum**: Mario Lorenz briefed on the Dickens Festival on 5 Dec; he provided handouts/posters to the audience. Mario requested funding support from NTNC. Motion was made and all approved $250.00 for the Dickens Festival.

**Adjournment** 7:15 pm.