BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Venus Dergan - Andy Mordhorst – Pennie Smith - Skip Vaughn – Bruce West - Heidi White

Absent: – Chris Beale

ATTENDANCE: 23 General Members

MINUTES: Motion made by Donna Buck to adopt the OCTOBER 21, 2015 General Meeting. The motion is seconded and approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Pennie- The checking account balance is $5,101.44. Expenses this month were $750.00 for food bank donations and $84.57 for Newsletter printing and mailing.

CHAIR’S REPORT: Pizza will arrive at about 7:15 p.m.

MEETING AGENDA:

Annual Elections:
- Issue Ballots: Venus passed out ballots.
- Final Nominations of Candidates – Nominations Venus Dergan Manitou, Skip Vaughn Arlington, Andy Mordhorst Edison Pos. 2, Robert Bearden Edison Pos. 3, Kim Bernholf At-large Pos. 1, Bill Bonnell At-large Pos 2 all were seconded.
- Introduction of Candidates: Each Candidate introduced themselves at the end of the meeting.
- Voting and Ballot Counting. There was only one nomination for each of the following: Manitou Position 1 Venus Dergan, Arlington Position 2 Skip Vaughn, Edison Position 2 Andy Mordhorst, Edison Position 3 Robert Bearden, At-large Position 1 Kim Bernholf, At-large Position 2 Bill Bonnell. It was motioned by Donna Buck all nominees be voted in by Acclamation therefore no ballots needed to be counted, seconded and approved by the majority and one nay. No nominations for Orchard, or Oakland/Madrona.

COP’S MEETING: Officer Robert Sbory – Officer Sbory introduced Officer Mills who will be taking Officer Luke’s place that retired. Officer Warczak is doing well and is back on light duty. Tacoma Mall parking lot has a lot of car prowls. Robberies are up this time of year. Mount Tahoma has had a modified lockdown due to drugs and suspensions. Medical pot shops that are not in compliance with the law will have until July to close. If they are a nuisance call Code Enforcement. The law is very confusing for everyone. Bomb issue near Manitou Park was resolved by the Military coming out and taking care of the bomb. It ended up being a training round from a Howitzer cannon.

REPORTS:
City Manager’s Office – Brad Forbes – Any pot shops that are a public nescience can be reported to customer service at 591-5000. Planning Commission has an opening and if you are interested you can contact Amanda with the City at 591-5178. There are four openings on the Board of Ethics. There is a new program called the Home canvassing Program. It’s about options that homeowners have if there home is being foreclosed on. The 66th St. Trestle has graffiti on the mural and we need to know who is responsible and get it taken care of. Brad will find out who is responsible and he will get back to us.
Tacoma Fire – John Pappuleas – Be careful with Turkey fryers they can cause fires and do not leave any kind of cooking unattended. The Fire Dept is testing for a digital dispatching system that will speed up the calls process.

Metro Parks – Jennifer Burbridge – Ft. Nisqually master plan meeting tonight. Jennifer is helping Heidi and Venus to get signage at Manitou Park signage to keep cars off the park grass. Lori asked why Manitou Community Center is not being maintained and Jennifer will find out and get back to the Council. Heidi asked if Jennifer could contact the person at MP to get the bushes trimmed on the Westside of Manitou Community Center.

Safe Streets – Gerod Byrd – Be careful about having packages taken off your porch. It’s a good idea to either have them shipped to your work or have someone that can get the package, so it does not get stolen. ID theft is high this time of year. Monitor your credit for identity theft.

South Tacoma Business District: Karen Rich – Newsletter on the back table from the Business District. The City has been working on sidewalks near 56th and So Tacoma Way that has caused long backups. The elimination of the center turn lane on 56th Street that people voiced their concerns about getting in the business, has had a few meetings on how to possible resolve this issue.

Tacoma School District: Beth Mills – New innovative school called IDEA will be at the old Park Ave. School. School boundaries will be redrawn to take burdens off schools that are overflowing.

Break for Pizza

General Membership – Lori talked about the Tool Library. Donna Buck said she will be doing the annual Christmas Dinner at the Sector Three Police Station and any donations or help would be appreciated.

Neighborhood Council Board – Venus wanted to let the General members know that the General meeting will be canceled for December, but the board meeting will still be the first Thursday of the December at the STAR Center at 6:30 p.m. Newly chosen board members told us a little about themselves.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Chairs – No Reports
OLD BUSINESS: None
NEW BUSINESS: None

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Heidi White, Secretary,
Manitou Representative