BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Clifford Armstrong III - Beverly Bowen-Bennett– Venus Dergan– Andy Mordhorst – Elman Reyes - Pennie Smith - Heidi White

ATTENDANCE: 15 General Members

MINUTES: Motion was made by Beverly to accept the March 22, 2017 General Meeting minutes, seconded and approved one abstained.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Current balance $3,394.80

CHAIR’S REPORT: Pennie asked the opinion of the audience how they feel about the board members being in the audience. One lady that was new in the back by Beverly stated that she would like the board up in the front because she is new and would like to see who was who. Pennie then asked if that was a motion and she answered yes. Pennie asked for a second it was and it was seconded by older man in audience and then it was asked all in favor. Ayes have it and there were two no’s.

MEETING AGENDA:

Cop’s Meeting: Lt. Roberts and Officer Steven Storwick – Tuesday has been the days for crime. Rape in Oak Tree park in March with no suspects. Audience member asked about hot roding at the Tacoma Mall, but the Mall parking lot is private property and needs to be brought to Mall security. Office Storwick will ask Traffic Division to monitor 74th by Mount Tahoma during school hours. Lt Roberts will have speed monitors out to check speed. Venus asked about AED monitors in police cars.

REPORTS:

Tacoma Fire – Ray Mangloia: Fire in partnership with South Sound 911 communications has a new CAD program starting April 11. It will increase mapping for the Fire Dept. It will expand to texting during a situation where phone communication is not possible. Move right for sirens and lights and do not move at an intersection unless asked to move by the emergency vehicle.

City Manager’s Office, Brad Forbes: South Tacoma Cleanups: April 22 Edison, May 6 South Tacoma, and May 13 Tacoma Mall Neighborhood. Beverly make the correction that the Tacoma Mall Neighborhood is May 6. Through April 24th, the City is conducting a survey for citizens to give input on the selection process for a new City Manager. That survey can be found at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QSSL5RN

Metro Parks – Matthew Kerns: Bianca Hill new liaison for the STAR Center. Wapato lake to be treated this month for alge blooms. New Zoo exhibit washed ashore. Health and wellness fair. Homelessness in the parks to be handled by the Tacoma Police. Bianca spoke and told the STNC about herself.

South Tacoma Business District – Karen Rich: Newsletter on the back table. Danie awards will close and move to Lakewood and online trains and hobbies will take its place. City denied appeal from the Business District for the homeless shelter. They filed an appeal and will not have to wait for a court date. April 27th from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. City will give a presentation for the business that may go into the building at 5401 S Tacoma Way.

Tacoma School – Mr. Tyler Steiner: Grand Cinema May 10th 6:30 will have a documentary about Stewart Middle school. Andy talked about training he went to about homelessness.

General Membership – Audience: Pennie welcomed Carol Wolfe from the City.

Neighborhood Council Board: Andy mentioned that Lincoln High Schools plant sale will be April 24th - 30th. April 29th Lincoln High School will have a resource fair.

FEATURED AGENDA SPEAKERS – Innovative Grant Proposals Presenters: Stacy - Community Health and Wellness Fair and Family Fun Day at the Farmers Market for $2,395.00. Teresa – Student Community Art Project $5,944.00. Bill – Mayor Ira A. Town Tacoma Cemetery Memorial Marker $1,000.00. Heather – Spaceworks Mural Project at the Old Starlight Lounge $8,000.00. Beverly – Birding in Oak Tree Park $11,500.00. Rebecca from the City of Tacoma’s Arts program is the contact for vandalism for the Birding project.

Special Meeting on Innovative Grants and other requests - Heidi motioned to grant the Request from the Edison group for $96.36 for their neighborhood clean up, seconded and approved, Andy abstained. PO Box rental for $80.00 to be paid. Elman wanted us to look into if it is proper to have this PO Box. Pennie will contact Carol Wolfe. Beverly motioned to discuss this at the next board meeting. Motion made by Venus to pay $96.00 for 125 neighborhood council pins, seconded and approved. Motion made by Venus to approve $2,395.00 for the Community Health and Wellness Fair and Family Fun Day at the Farmers Market, $4,944.00 Student Community Art Project, $1,000.00 Mayor Ira A. Town Tacoma Cemetery Memorial Marker, $9,500.00 Birding in Oak Tree Park, and Spaceworks Mural Project at the Old Starlight Lounge to apply next year for a total for $17,839.00, seconded and approved.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:40 p.m. Special Meeting Adjourned at approximately 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Heidi White, Secretary,
Manitou Representative

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