

**New Tacoma Neighborhood Council**  
**Wednesday, October 14, 2009 at 5:30-7:00PM**  
**747 Market Street RM 138**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Attendance:**

**Board Members present:** Dalton Gittens, Mae Harris, Traci Kelly, Elizabeth Burris, Kate Rose, Bill Garl, Deanna Rankos, Beth Rushing, Jon Morrone, Mar-Le Wendt, and Eric Crittendon

**Board Members excused:** Brett Santhuff, Justin Mayfield, Marty Campbell, Ian Morrison,

**Guests:** Shane Pettit (City Manager's Office), Nancy Davis (Metro Parks), Jeff Jensen (TFD) Officer Rob Jepson (TPD), Scott Morris (Pierce Transit), Drew Carrigan (Rebuilding South Sound), Nathan George

**Call to Order:** 5:32pm

**Minutes & Agenda:** October agenda approved (Garl motions, Kelly 2nd) September minutes approved (Garl motions, Kelly 2<sup>nd</sup>)

**Secretary/Correspondence Report:** Letter from City Manager responding to the NTNC support of the Luzon Building. Information regarding the Sacred Spaces Tour October 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Treasurer Report:** N/A

**Community Council/ Economic Development:** Elton reported on presentation from Fire Department at the last Community Council meeting. City Council passed all the recommendations for Neighborhood Innovative grants, in process of notifying applicants.

**Across the Fence:** Mar-Le reported that David, one of the Across the Fence staff, who is now serving in Iraq, will be featured.

**Staff Reports:**

**City Manager's Office:** Shane Pettit discussed the Luzon demolition; building was more structurally deteriorated than thought. Public hearing for the D to M scheduled for the 6th, Council vote is on the 20th.

**Fire Department:** Deputy Chief Jeff Jensen reported the following statistics: Sep 2008 Fire calls 421/Sep 2009 325. EMS 2471(09/08) 2500(09/09), Other 248(09/08) 325(09/09). Also provided numbers on CPR training and 911 dispatcher's case load.

**Police Department:** Officer Jepson provided handouts on direct Policing call-outs. Spoke about former owners of the Firwood re-establishing in the old Drakes location on Pacific. Public Safety meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup> to discuss/deny liquor license application to the former owners of the Firwood, based on prior history. Also spoke in support of mandatory training to Security personnel employed by Nightclub/Tavern owners in Tacoma.

**Metro Parks:** Nancy Davis provided handouts on upcoming Metro Park Activities. Citizen comments welcome on the Smoke free parks issue. Alling park rededication conducted this past month .

**Citizen Forum/Announcements:** Traci Kelly- November is Art at Work month, October 29<sup>th</sup> kicks off the celebration-location Art Museum.  
Kate Rose reminded NTNC that last day of Downtown Farmer's this Thursday.  
Jon Morrone asked for support in the blanket drive for Foster children.  
Garl motioned, Faker 2<sup>nd</sup> to donate \$250.00 to the Blanket drive, approved.  
Jake Fey City council member spoke about current discussion topics including the LeMay car museum.  
Eric Crittendon spoke about the current status of Brown's Bar and Grill and the lack of any city movement on this project.

**New Business:**

Scott Morris spoke about the up coming Pierce Transit(PT) workshops, urged concerned citizens to attend. 73% of operating PT funding is derived from sales tax.

Drew Carrigan representing Rebuilding South Sound Together presented information and provided handouts.

**Old Business:** Dates for the Board retreat: 6 February 2010, location: Johnny's Dock, more information will be forthcoming.

Nominations for the following slate of candidates:

Eric Crittendon

Mae Harris

Traci Kelly

Justin Mayfield

Kate Rose

Beth Rushing

Brett Santhuff

Mar-Le Wendt

Motion Garl, 2<sup>nd</sup> Faker Approved

Nominations from floor will be taken during next meeting.

Letter in support of a year-round Farmer's Market was presented by the Farmer's Market Committee. Motion Garl, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rose to accept the letter as presented subject to revision as needed by consensus, approved.

**Good of the Order:**

Kelly motions to adjourn, Morrison 2nd, approved @ 7:15

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Dalton Gittens, Chair

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Elizabeth Burris Secretary