



**Audubon-Downriver Neighborhood Council  
Membership Meeting Minutes  
Finch Elementary School  
April 18, 2019**

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Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Fran Papenleur. Guest speakers noted below.

**Secretary's Report:** March membership meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

**Membership Report:** *Charles Robeson not present.* Victor reported we have 35 active voting members. To qualify, a person must attend at least two meetings in a 12-month period. There were 16 voting members present. There was a quorum present.

**Social Media Report:** *Victor Frazier* reports 800+ members on facebook group.

**Treasurer's Report:** *Victor Frazier* reports the account balance is \$4750. Reimbursed Jeff Stevens for \$56.94 flag donated to COPS Mounted Patrol.

**City Council Report:** *Councilwoman Karen Stratton* reports Envision Center opened on the second floor of WorkSource at 2<sup>nd</sup> and Arthur. It is a one-stop shop for social services. Anyone is welcome to visit. COPS has a new program called Paws on Patrol encouraging dog walkers to watch for crime and report it safely. City Council asked state legislature to consider bill requiring people convicted of car thefts to be on community supervision when released from prison. Point in Time Count data regarding homelessness is now available. Call 311 or Karen Stratton's office to report homeless camps in the neighborhood.

**Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) Report:** *Maren Murphy, ONS Liaison,* not present.

**Community Assembly/Community Development:** Fran reports Building Stronger Neighborhoods committee is sponsoring a retreat at WCCC to present a "toolkit" for neighborhood councils. Retreat will be Tuesday April 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Community Assembly gives neighborhood councils \$650 per year to promote neighborhood engagement. ADNC will order business cards and we are considering welcome bags for new residents.

**Neighborhood Planning:** *Jeff Stevens* reports Shadle planning project consultant is interviewing decision-makers. ONS interviewed neighborhood residents tonight. Interview summaries will be shared at next meeting. Everyone is encouraged to participate in the online survey in May 2019. Workshops will be held in Shadle Library. A final draft will be presented at the September general membership meeting.

**Parks Report:** *Jeff Stevens* reports nothing new regarding parks.

**Traffic:** Jeff reports speed signs will be placed in different locations this year. Speed signs will be on A Street between Wellesley and Garland, on Driscoll between Wellesley and Garland, and on Garland across from the post office. Permanent signs will be installed on NW Blvd this year.

**Concert Report:** Victor and Doug Prendergast, NW Council, are coordinating 4 concerts in 2019. All concerts are on Thursday nights from 6:30-8:30pm. July 11 at Shadle Park, July 18 at Audubon Park, July 25<sup>th</sup> at Audubon Park and August 1 at Shadle Park.

**West Central Community Center:** Victor announced annual Neighbor Day event on June 7<sup>th</sup> at from 4-7pm. Rick Harris Field will be dedicated.

**COPS NW:** Victor reports phone number is 625-3336. He encourages everyone to call COPS, Crime Check or 911 any time you want to file a missing persons report. No wait time is necessary. Call as soon as you have concerns. COPS is giving out McDonalds coupons to kids who wear helmets.

**Transitions:** *Edie Rice Sauer, Transitions director,* reports community garden funded by ADNC is completed. Eagle Scouts built raised beds and will install irrigation. Anyone interest in community gardening is welcome to participate.

**Guest speaker:** *Jeff Edwards, executive director of Corbin Senior Center,* reports their mission is to bring joy to seniors through community and social integration. They have approximately 1000 members. Recreation activities such as games, exercise, dance and classes are provided onsite. Travel program offers local trips to community events, regional trips (i.e. Seattle) and international trips (Scotland, Greece, etc). Anyone 18+ can participate. Corbin is primarily volunteer run. 827 W Cleveland between Post and Monroe. <http://www.corbinseniorcenter.org/>

**Announcements:** Shred Day at COPS NW is April 26 from 11-2pm. It is free but donations are accepted. Stacy from Girl Scouts reports a new troop is starting at Finch Elementary for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders. Hilary Nickerson, City of Spokane Water Stewardship Specialist to speak about dry landscaping and Master Composter Program at May membership meeting.

**Next General Meeting:** *May 16, 2019 at 7pm.*

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Meeting recorded by Andrea Kilgore.