

6/07 PIGEON POINT COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

21 people attending the 7 pm meeting at Cooper School

Guest speakers:

- Alan Justad, Director of Community Relations for DPD (Dept. of Planning and Development, Seattle) 233-3891

- Officer Brian Ballew, Community Police Team (Sea. Police Dept.) 386-1088

1. Kathy Rutherford, the principal of Cooper School, thanked everyone for the \$695.95 raised at the garage sale and considerations for purchase are more bulletin boards and books. PPCC has contributed \$2,700 to the school over recent years.

Sharon and Jim Price worked with Kathy for the first work party in the 22nd Ave Street End Park conducted by school kids at Cooper. Three classrooms made 6 mosaic panels that are now installed in concrete planters. Then the students in these classrooms spent a Friday afternoon weeding (stinky bob, horsetail, and shot weed) and repairing the gravel paths.

Kathy received a grant from OSPI for \$26,000 for an environmental focus.

Windermere volunteers are going to work on the land close to the school with oversight from the district.

Nature Consortium is going to provide workshops for the students.

Vivian brought up the need for the neighborhood to press METRO to bring back bus service --- not just for our use but to help families whose children attend Cooper have more access to the school.

The school district will fence in the school property and yes, neighbors do use the path to 21st.

2. City Night Out will be August 7

We need volunteers (call Pete 933-6857) or Matt (938-0161).

Attendance at our neighborhood potluck barbeque has been growing.

We could use more tables.

Neighbors should bring their own chairs.

PPCC will provide pop, plates, and utensils.

3. Garden Tour is to happen June 23 with people meeting at 9:30am at the corner of 20th and Dakota. Helen is a certified Master Gardener and will lead.

4. Water Taxi will be moored at Pier 2 in a few years (east of Salty's, a couple lots over)

5. Officer Ballew said things remain quiet in Pigeon Point, but please call with concerns. Call PPCC or him with graffiti concerns. The graffiti office will provide you with free paint and brushes if you call (386-9746 Anthony Matlock or 684-7587 hotline)

6. Alan Justad, DPD, said there have been issues regarding cutting trees in the Pigeon Point neighborhood, and there are rules regulating what can and cannot be cut.

- If the trees are on Seattle Park's land and are blocking your view, contact them

and they will probably help with the views, but it is against the law to trim, top, or cut their trees and there are penalties.

- If you own land in an Environmentally Critical Area (ECA) there are restrictions on what you can do with your trees.

- You can file a complaint at 615-0808.

- Tom Carr's office, the City Attorney, deals with infractions of tree cutting/topping

- Sea. Dept. of Trans. (SDOT) will bill people when they repair problems because owners didn't take corrective action to repair buckling sidewalks (can be caused by tree roots or water issues)

- Property owners are liable for any problems incurred from uneven sidewalks adjoining their land.

- Property owners can't let vegetation go over the sidewalk adjacent their land, or they could face a fine of \$150 for the first ticket and \$550 for the second ticket.

- If a house is vacant it must be sealed, and if it isn't, report it to the DPD.

7. City Light cleaned out the sub station at 21st and Andover. We've suggested it become a neighborhood park.

8. Pete will let us know the date for hearings on proposed neighborhood improvement grants and urges us to attend --- sometime in the fall.

9. Pete Spaulding is once again Chairman of the Delridge District Council.