

Victory Heights Community Council
Meeting Minutes November 17th, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM by President Victor Hernandez. Twelve people attending.

Victor has spoken with Officer Kip Young of the Seattle Police Department's North Precinct. Office Young says that although the SPD monitors (and sometimes posts) on Next Door Neighbor, he recommends when you see suspicious activity to *call the police first*, THEN post about it on social media. SPD is tracking statistics about crime, but the only way they can do that is by receiving actual calls.

A number of "We Are Watching You" crime prevention signs were donated by the city and have been distributed to neighbors. They have yet to be posted along 19th Avenue NE across from the park. It was unknown whether further signs were purchased as authorized last month.

Brad Cummings reported about the November North District Council meeting. Outgoing city councilman Nick Licata and Parks Department deputy head Christopher Williams spoke about the possible remodeling/rebuilding of the dilapidated Lake City Community Center. Williams basically told them, "We don't have the budget for this" and probably won't for six years or so. Needless to say, the NDC was disappointed to hear this.

CleanScapes (now Recology) sent post cards to residents announcing they had purchased and would distribute 50 Little Free Libraries to neighborhoods as part of their infamous Rewards Program from last year. Victory Heights already has two Libraries (at NE 106th & 17th Avenue NE, and 23rd Avenue and NE 104th Way). If you would like to apply to get one near you, email Erika Melroy (emelroy@recology.com) before December 4th, 2015. Your email must include your name, mailing address, and why you'd like to receive a Little Free Library. Good luck.

Molly sent word that the Lake City Farmers Market was successful for a second straight year and will be back in 2016.

There was a bit of discussion about the "road diet" up on 15th Avenue NE through Pinehurst that has been the subject of some neighborhood complaints.

Monica announced caroling will be back this year, on Saturday, December 19th. The hope is to have enough people to break into groups and hit different parts of the neighborhood.

The next meeting will be on December 15th and will feature speakers from the Parks Department who will talk about the upcoming playground renovation project in the park. There will also be homemade chocolate chip cookies.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Submitted by Ryan Johnson
Secretary, Victory Heights Community Council