

Victory Heights Community Council Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2022

Meeting called to order via Zoom by President Ann Forrest at 7:03 PM. Eight attendees.

Mural news: A shout out to Merlin van Gelderen, who shot the drone shots of the new Victory Heights mural. Thanks!

\$2,087.74 was spent on the mural, financed through the GoFundMe campaign, \$585.09 was just for insurance—a year’s worth since this project was in the pipeline for such a long time (it originally began during the President Ben Cober administration). The plan is to wash it every year. Ideally, in the future, it would be painted all in one day rather than spread out. This year it was difficult to source the special quick-dry paint the highway department would typically use on pavement.

Community Disaster Practice: [Originally scheduled on October 15th from 10 to noon, it was moved later in the day to 2 PM to 4 PM.] It will be in the park. Our amateur radio friends will be there, and apparently have developed a system whereby personal messages can be transmitted out of the area and then texted or posted on social media to let people know you are okay. We’ll practice this system on the 15th.

Chili Cook Off and Cookie Fest has been combined into one event, now on November 13th from 3 PM to 5 PM [originally the Chili Cook Off was to be in October]. We need volunteers to help organize it (mainly just setting up tables, running electricity for the crockpots, and distributing and counting ballots for voting).

Halloween is still To Be Determined. Pinehurst is doing their usual parade along their streets north of Northgate Way. We’ll see what folks here are interested in doing during our October meeting.

Food Truck Wrap Up: 314 Pie was popular. The consensus was it would be a good idea to always have one truck that can have fast pre-made food to help alleviate lines and waiting. While it would be nice to have the trucks parked on the west side of 19th Avenue NE and thus provide natural shade during hot summer afternoons, alas, the uneven level of the gravel versus the pavement makes that nearly impossible. And we can’t park the trucks entirely on the pavement, emergency vehicles still need access to the street unencumbered. We have created a survey to find out what people liked about the food trucks: <https://forms.gle/WMVrSHQCRDoRFEdQA>

Next meeting (via Zoom) is Monday, October 17th.

Meeting adjourned early at 7:43 PM.

Submitted by Ryan Johnson
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