# **ALM Meeting Minutes** February 10, 2022 The Queen's Deck

Attendees:
Steve Pinto
John Lucas
Brandon Pinto
Artem Kopelev and special guest, Richter
Ricki Mudd
Kevin Chuang
Brice Lenz
Bob Swarner
Tony Duncan
Kyle Overstreet



Oren and Kathy Hadaller Carole McGlamery Richard and Linda Boynton Deb Anderson

Since we had a special guest, the reading of the minutes from the last meeting was waived.

Our guest was Robell F Ghrmai, our community liaison officer with the SeaTac Police Department.

We discussed a recent burglary in our community. One house was entered through a basement window that was kicked in when the resident wasn't there. The burglars knock on the door to see if anyone is home, then found a way in. Another home reported that people knocked on the door of an elderly resident, their daughter had just pulled up and asked if she could help them and the strangers retreated saying they had the wrong address.

### Officer Ghrmai suggestions were as follows:

- Get some kind of security cameras or a ring doorbell. Any kind of contact frightens these people away. Talk to strangers in the street, start up a conversation. These people want a non confrontational experience.
- He said our neighborhood is somewhat protected because of all the people out walking and talking.
- Lock your doors all the time. Consider getting extra window locks, not just the dowel in the window but a window clamp (available at hardware stores). This fits on the sliding part of the window itself and prevents it from opening at all.
- · Install motion sensor lighting near doors.
- Let your neighbors know when you leave town. If possible, have someone else park in your driveway when you are away for extended periods.
- · Keep your garage door closed.
- The biggest time for burglaries is Christmas all the packages and travel.
- And summertime, because of open garage doors, entry doors and windows and people on vacations.
- Inventory your belongings so you can file insurance claims if burgled.

## Camping:

- There are more homeless encampments along the 509 corridor.
- The city of SeaTac just passed a no camping ordinance.
- Angle Lake Park Campers
  - The campers are offered resources, given a bus pass, gift certificates and a date that they have to leave the park. There is no arrest or confiscation of possessions. Officers have to offer services at time of contact, and the resources have to be available to the camper at that time. So no middle of the night enforcement is possible.
  - The long time homeless resident of the park was offered these services repeatedly and was somehow finally arrested and removed.

# **Crime Prevention through Environmental Design, CPTED**

- The city approves plans on new construction. There is also a service where the city will walk through your home and yard with you and make suggestions for safety.
  - Update From Officer Ghrmai: On the CPTED stuff we currently have CSO Regina Burke who going through the course right now. We also have Detective Brubaker. I would refer that to Regina. I'm sure when she's back we can come up with a time we can help out on that. I don't know the process... but maybe she can shed some light on that when she gets back next week.

# Safety in large parking lots:

- Catalytic converters are a target.
- Don't leave your car there too long.
- Car alarms are a deterrent. Anything that brings attention to the vehicle.
- Take your garage door opener with you when you park the car.
- Some suggest taking your registration as well, so people can't find your house when you're not there.
- Hide packages or anything in the car that might encourage a break-in.

## **Angle Lake Park Security**

SeaTac is purchasing a solar powered parking lot security system (like you see at Safeway and in the mall parking lot.) This will be used for security purposes at Angle Lake Park and wherever the City of SeaTac feels there is a need for it.

## S.C.R.A.M.

The SeaTac Police Department is creating a security camera registration program to help aid future investigations within the City of SeaTac. The objective of the program is to establish a map of both business and residential exterior facing camera locations throughout the City. The goal is to deter crime and promote public safety through a collaborative partnership between the City of SeaTac Police Department and the community they serve.

### Be a Community Safety Partner

• Enrolling home and business security cameras in the program will enable the SeaTac Police Department to know where security cameras are located. If something happens

within view of a registered camera, knowing who to request video recordings from will expedite police department investigations for solving crimes promptly in your community.

- By signing up, you **WILL NOT** be giving the police department access to your cameras. You are simply letting them know the cameras exist so that police officials can reach out to you if a crime happens in your neighborhood.
- The information provided about you and your camera system will be for official use only. Your personal information will remain confidential and not be distributed except as required by law or court order. And SeaTac Police Department Officials will not request or obtain direct access or remote access to the camera equipment, security footage or cloud stored data.
- This program is entirely voluntary and you can withdraw your camera information at any time.
- Questions about the program, registering your security camera or canceling your registration can be directed to Community Service Officer Regina Burke at <u>rburke@kingcounty.gov</u>.

## **Checklists for Emergencies**

Check this out! This is not just for winter emergencies. Take steps to protect your family, home, and vehicle from winter weather. Visit <a href="www.takewinterbystorm.org/">www.takewinterbystorm.org/</a> checklists to learn more about winter weather preparedness.

# **Questions from ALM neighbors:**

- 1. Is there a way to get a solar blinking light attached to the stop sign at 192<sup>nd</sup> and 33<sup>rd</sup>. It is usually a "rolling stop" situation with vehicles passing through to avoid the light at 188<sup>th</sup>.
  - 1. Update from Officer Ghrmai: I have confirmed with the traffic cars that this is a roads project. I have requested information on the process for this to happen.
- 2. Can we have more engagement with our community liaison officer concerning incidents in our neighborhood and the park? The question of what was the situation with the recent dead body in the lake came up. Our neighborhood would like information on these types of events.
  - 1. Update from Officer Ghrmai: This is an ongoing investigation. I can't really view any information at this time but from what I'm feeling out so far there is a possibility this was suicide. I can't not say for sure but again this was not a targeted thing from what I've heard so there is no need to worry from the community of this happening again.
- 3. Do we need a speed camera temporarily on 188<sup>th</sup>? Again, this is a through way from International Blvd to the freeway.
  - 1. Update from Officer Ghrmai: I asked about the temporary signs and talked to the traffic units to see if they have any suggestions. The temp radar signs are run by roads but the traffic units told me they would spend sometime out on S 188th St to monitor traffic.

- 4. Can we get some training on how to confront a potential burglar in our yard?1. Update email response from Officer Ghrmai:
  - If they are in your garage call the police. Once they enter a structure and take items it's a crime. Even just the act of entering the structure (garage or shed) could be determined a burglary, if they do it with the intention to take items. If there is no proof they did it with the intent to take someone it is still a trespass.
  - If they are in your yard or walk into your back yard it depends. First start with telling them to leave. Please gauge the situation if they seem to be high or it doesn't feel safe call the police and we can assist with the contact.
  - If they walk into your front yard you can ask them to leave and warn them, if they don't they will be trespassing.
  - If they are in your back yard that changes it a bit but it's still safe to start with warning them. If they do not listen then call the police. We find that most of the people stealing things from sheds and back yard are doing it through a means of opportunity and when confronted run off.
    - The state sees the access point from the street to your front door, or normal point of contact as an acceptable area to travel onto someone property. Without warning or being told to leave there isn't much the police can do about that. Once they venture off to an area that is viewed as private it changes. Areas like your back yard or a shed would be viewed as private areas. So if your back yard has a fence, and or the gate way is locked/closed its reasonable that a normal person would see that as a private area that you would need permission to enter.

There was a handout on Residential Burglary Prevention. You can find it on our Angle Lake Manor Website at: <a href="http://www.anglelakemanor.com">http://www.anglelakemanor.com</a>

# Treasurer's Report

Bob was out of town for this meeting, please check for the current Treasurer's report online at: <a href="http://www.anglelakemanor.com/treasurerreport.htm">http://www.anglelakemanor.com/treasurerreport.htm</a>

Jonathan was in charge of exchanging keys and issuing new keys at our meeting. Future key exchange will be done by Bob Simmons.

Remember that in January, 2022, we changed the locks on the gates at the Beach Lot. They have not been changed since 2013. For security and record-keeping purposes, it was time for a re-keying. You can pay your dues and pick up a new key from Bob. Please bring your old keys to trade them in for new keys in order not to be charged for a new key. Extra keys will be \$20. These keys will be saved and used in a future re-keying event. We'd like to collect as many as we can to save money in the future.

Contact Bob Simmons via text 360-747-3773, or by email, <a href="mailto:almcc.treasurer@gmail.com">almcc.treasurer@gmail.com</a>.

# As for dues, there are many ways to pay:

1. Mail or just put in Bob's mailbox at 3303 S. 194th. It's okay to put it in the box yourself as it is the secure type that the mailman does not open:

- 2. Insert \$40 cash or check with your name & address & email or phone number attached.
- 3. Pay online via Zelle or PayPal to almcc.treasurer@gmail.com
- Zelle: You must put your address in the "reason (optional)" box to be credited.
- PayPal: Put your phone & address in "add a note." Choose "sending to a friend" or PayPal will deduct a fee and your dues will be short that fee.

## **Hospitality Report:** - Terry Gough and Laura Rankin

Tani Robar fell and broke her clavicle in January. Our team checked in on her and sent a card.

# **Lake Monitor Report:** - Alden Chace

The level of the lake is about the same as last year and the temperature is the same 6°C (43°F) as last year too.

## **Architectural Report:** - Kyle Overstreet

There's a new building going up on 192<sup>nd</sup> Street. Kyle went over and talked to the builder. It looks like it will be multi level, two stories, keeping within our Angle Lake Manor guidelines. Kyle helpfully brought blueprints of the building to our meeting so we could all get a look.

#### Beach Lot:

- New keys are available. See above in the Treasurer's Report. Thanks to Bob Simmons for pulling that all together.
- The dock will be a mess this spring. No pinwheels, no coyote, no fishing line. Nothing was done to prevent the geese from landing this season.
- Our V.P., Dave Rankin suggested that we purchase a battery powered pressure washer that could be taken to the dock and clean it off. Deb Anderson and the Queen loved this idea as it takes at least an hour to shovel and wash the deck for swimming in the summer. It usually takes two or three times before we have enough beach traffic to keep the geese away. We have 3 choices ranging from \$180 to \$399.
- Since our treasurer was not in attendance, a motion was passed to approve the purchase of a power washer, if Bob Simmons approves the expense.

### **Boat and Paddle-board Rack**

We have a rack ready to put in place on the back of the restroom building. Jonathan Standridge and Tony Anderson will install it when the weather becomes more cooperative.

We had approved up to \$500 for this rack, our Queen found one on sale black Friday for \$198!

### July 4th Parade

As of now we are planning our local parade. Gather at 9:30, March at 10:00.

Does anyone have any ideas what to do in case we do not have musicians/a band this year? Maybe we need some drill teams. With hand held drills...maybe a wheelbarrow team? Any choreographers out there? Please bring your brilliant

ideas to our next meeting!! We need neighborhood involvement to make this happen.

# **National Night Out**

August 2<sup>nd</sup> is our next National Night Out Against Crime Potluck. This is our chance to hang out with our neighbors and meet new neighbors and friends.

Should we cater the main meal? Fish tacos? BBQ? Please come with ideas or suggestions for where to find good caterers to the next meeting! WE appreciate and need your input to make these things happen.

## **Hydroplane Races**

Even though there was a seeming tie in the voting for and against the hydroplane races on the lake, they have been approved by Larry Ellis for September 10-11 at Angle Lake Park. John Lucas will check out how that decision was made.

#### Our FREE Yard Sale Weekend

Our free sale last year was such a success, do you want to do another one and when? Labor Day weekend is September 2, 3, and 4 with Monday being the 5<sup>th</sup>. Do we want to have it that weekend? Are you interested in promoting that event? Please bring your ideas to our next meeting.

#### WEBMASTER reminder

Val Vavrik has been our faithful webmaster for many years now. She is ready to turn the keys to the online kingdom over to a new webmaster. Please let us know, if you know of anyone who may be interested in this opportunity to serve our wonderful community.

### INSPIRATION AND INVITATION:

Our neighborhood is unique. We know one another, we watch out for each other and we celebrate together. This is rare in the world today. The Blue Zones study of the longest lived people in the world found in each of the 7 places they studied that participation in a close knit community improved longevity and quality of life.

It only takes a small effort from several members to keep this blessing going. Many hands make light work. And to tell you the truth, coming together to put on a fun event is really more fun than work!

Please consider if you would like to serve your community in any of our officer positions or as the head of an event. Attend meetings and let us know of your interest. None of these positions is meant to be a life long commitment. Your officers are volunteers and give of their time because they have experienced the joy of community and they want to keep it going. All positions are available each year. Consider where you can make a contribution!

**Our Next meeting:** It was to be in April but we will move it to May 12th because our Queen and Scribe will be traveling in April. See you then at 6 at the beach lot!