

BNA Board Meeting
July 13, 2017

Attending

Jay Elder, Seth Hutt, Patti Sievert, Barb La Forge, Laurie Dils

Minutes

1. Michael Snodgrass, candidate for City Council position 6
 - Michael was invited by Seth to attend our meeting
 - Vision for state capital as “family-friendly, comfortable and safe”
 - Looks at homeless population as 3-4 unique groups, each with unique needs
 - Supports Home First initiative that includes both housing and wrap-around services
 - Supports Public Safety ballot initiative – more downtown policing/community policing, mental health advocates to work with police
 - Agrees that Olympia should not shoulder the entire cost related to homelessness – Lacey, Tumwater and Thurston Co. should be partnering; we should set a cap for spending on these problems
 - Need to move to action – plenty of studies have already been done – not happy with status quo and pace of progress related to homelessness, environment and economic development
 - Incentivize change for the business community
 - Describes himself as “a man of action,” “works with everybody”

2. CNA Report (Barb)
 - Barb attended the 7/10 meeting of CNA
 - Meeting addressed code enforcement issues – decided against recommending Airbnb enforcement – not really a problem in Olympia at this point
 - Members mentioned that Jay has been an asset at meetings
 - Materials and report provided from city planning commission

3. Picnic
 - 36 people have RSVP’d with food sign-up; another 11 or more may attend
 - Board members head up organizing the following:
 - Flyers – Jay will make, Seth will post
 - NextDoor – Jay will repost to BNA neighborhood only
 - Shopping – Seth will take the lead (meat and condiments)
 - Barbecuing - Rob
 - Plates, utensils – Jay has
 - Tables and Chairs needed – ALL
 - Membership table – Jay will make display, Laurie will print membership list, provide jar for donations and track new/renewing memberships
 - Barricades and permits – Jay

Invite city council candidates for meet and greet only (no presentations) – Jay
Clean-up - ALL

3. Announcements/issues

- Bigelow Orchard Grant – Bigelow House board forgot they had seen the plan 3 years ago; they have delayed a decision on accepting grant for 2 months, still on hold; money could go to Bigelow Springs Park if they decline grant (concerns about how “historically authentic” plans are for plantings)
- Beck House – sale of property is pending