**COMSTOCK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING**

**6:00-7:30PM**

***MINUTES***

**2-21-2024**

**Jefferson Elementary School Multipurpose Room**

**Call to Order**

**Chair Jeffrey Mergler called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Mary Ann McCurdy agreed to take Minutes.**

**Announcements**

**The Police Department report was provided. Sgt. Rhian Wilkinson said the best way to reach him is email:** **rwilkinson@spokanepolice.org****. He encouraged us to go on a ride along. KIA stealing and scams are of current concern. He distributed printed information. Discussion included concerns about dogs in Comstock Park, a SCRAPS or 311 issue and the potential benefit of dog ordinance signs.**

**Treasurer Sandy Wicht reported on the $800 neighborhood council block grant. A brainstorming group will consider opportunities for use of the grant. June 14 is the final day to apply.**

**Patrick Striker informed he will continue as our Office of Neighborhood Services contact.**

**Chair Jeff provided his report.**

**Treasurer Sandy gave a report, including for her Community Assembly rep role.**

**Gretchen McDevitt advised on legislative matters.**

**New Business**

**Elizabeth updated the group on the upcoming issue of South Hill Magazine featuring our Neighborhood Council.**

**Gretchen led a review and discussion of the By Laws Draft she and Greg Plummer worked on. Proposed changes were noted with formalization planned for the March meeting and adoption by vote in April.**

**Closing comments**

**Elizabeth will invite the Fire Chief. A rep from Crime Check will also be invited. John and Elizabeth commented on the benefits and limitations of OWL. Patrick offered to bring OWL. Jeff suggested a hybrid meeting every three months or when the topic is deemed of major significance. Recruitment need for a Secretary, Communications Director, Outreach Grant Coordinator and Clean Up Coordinator was emphasized by the Chair.**

**The meeting was adjourned by the Chair, after a motion, second and vote.**

**Next meeting: Wednesday, March 21, 6:00PM, Jefferson School.**

**Mary Ann McCurdy, VC, Acting Secretary**