



TRUMAN NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



June 1st - *Note date change*

Official Truman Neighborhood Association Meeting

6:30 -8:00 pm at the American Legion Hall Smith Reynolds Post #14, 4607 NE St. James Road
We will be reading and voting on our proposed revised Truman Neighborhood Association Bylaws at this meeting. Please see the information below for important information regarding this meeting.

June 2nd

Truman Neighborhood Bicycle Safety Fun Fair

6:00 - 8:00 pm at Truman Elementary School

July 21st & 22nd

Our 5th Annual Truman Neighborhood Yard Sale

9:00 am - 4:00 pm each day. You may choose to participate one or both days. More information and participation slips are in this newsletter.

August 1st

National Night Out Against Crime

Plan a barbecue, ice cream social etc. to connect with your neighbors. This national observance is an effort to promote involvement in crime prevention and send a message to criminals. We as neighbors can help in this process by getting to know your neighbors and commit to watch out for one another. We are the extra set of eyes for local law enforcement. As always when you see something suspicious or a criminal act, please report to 911 for threat to life or property with as many details as you can, never confront. Call 311 for non-emergency law enforcement issues.

September 10th

Our 5th Annual Truman Neighborhood Community BBQ & Potluck at Truman Elementary School

4:00 - 6:00 pm, Rain or Shine, see the enclosed flyer with all of the details.

We ask you to once again come and support your official Truman Neighborhood Association by attending our June 1st meeting where we will be voting on the proposed revision of our Truman Bylaws. Due to events which have taken place over the past few months, we recognize the need for this major bylaw revision. Our meeting will begin at 6:30 pm; the doors will open at 6:15 pm.

We have streamlined the ID check in process by using the room adjacent to the meeting room. We will have a print out of names for those of you who attended our March meeting. This will make it easier to check your ID and enable you to vote on our bylaws.

We expect a number of neighbors at our June 1st meeting who are not happy about our election results. You made your voices heard at our March meeting and we need you to be there on Thursday, June 1st. You are asked to play an active role in the direction you would like your neighborhood to go in the future. Our Truman Neighborhood Bylaws Committee has worked on these revisions for several months. We have asked several members of our community who have been involved for many years with non profit organizations as well as a Parliamentarian to look over these bylaws and make their recommendations. We were also required to submit our proposed revised bylaws to the County to verify compliance with the County Administrative Guidelines for officially recognized neighborhood associations.

Please be sure to bring your newsletter which includes the Proposed Bylaws with you to the Association meeting for reference. We cannot be sure we will have enough copies at this meeting.

Your Truman Neighborhood Association Council

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TRUMAN BICYCLE SAFETY FUN FAIR

Come enjoy an evening of FUN
with your whole family!
Rain or Shine



*Bring your own bike, scooter and/or
skateboard to participate on challenge course.
Helmets and parental involvement required.*

Friday, June 2, 2017 6-8pm

Truman Elementary (4505 NE 42nd Ave)

EVENT HOSTED BY

Truman Neighborhood Association, Truman Elementary PTA,
Northside Baptist Church and Bike Clark County

- **LEARN** about bicycle, scooter and skateboard safety on the *Truman Neighborhood Association's* free challenge course
- **PLAY** carnival games
- **ENJOY** free hamburgers and hot dogs from *Northside Baptist Church*
- **PARTICIPATE** in *Salmon Creek Lion's Club* state-of-the-art free vision screening - parental consent required
- **WIN** big with *Truman PTA's* raffle
- **SELECT** items from *Truman Elementary's* FCRC fresh food pantry

**General Raffle
Tickets \$5/each**

Ask about our "golden" raffle
ticket - \$10/each for a chance to
win 4 Park-Hopper Disneyland
tickets

TNA PROPOSED BYLAWS

Bylaws are the contract under which the Association operates, setting forth rules and procedures for elected and general members and allowing all members equal rights.

All associations are different; from the reasons they were formed to social and economic standing and views to specific community needs and goals. We are an informal association of neighbors who are passionate about our community and have always governed ourselves with respect, honesty and above all being courteous to one another.

Through these revised Bylaws we have strived to present procedures tailored to our general membership while adhering to all of the above mentioned considerations. Presented for your approval at the June 1st Truman Neighborhood Association meeting is the current Bylaws with strike-outs for the removal of words and double underlining for the addition of new words or wording.

We welcome your comments or questions prior to the meeting by emailing the Council at: trumanneighborhood@gmail.com.

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Respectfully,

Your Truman Neighborhood Association Council

BYLAWS
of
Truman Neighborhood Association
PO Box 1386
Vancouver, WA 98666

Article 1 - Organization Name

The name of this nonprofit organization shall be Truman Neighborhood Association (TNA), and may also be referred to as Truman Neighborhood Association of Clark County (TNACC).

Article 2 – Purpose

The purposes of this organization are:

- a. To address community issues within our boundaries;
- b. To form a greater sense of community between residents;
- c. To ~~obtain~~ **generate** a ~~stronger~~ **unified** voice in local government issues;
- d. To create a sense of neighborhood ownership for all persons residing within the boundaries;
- e. To organize social and community enhancement events to bring the neighborhood together.

Article 3 – Boundaries

(formerly Article 1)

The ~~for the~~ Truman Neighborhood Association's officially recognized boundaries as defined in consultation with Clark County are :

- North: ~~NE 52nd Street (between St. Johns Road & NE 40th Avenue)~~ through to NE 51st Street ending at NE 56th Avenue
51st Street (between 40th Avenue & 54 Avenue)
- East: ~~NE 54th Avenue (between Hwy State Route 500 & NE 47th Street),~~ NE 47th Street (between NE 54th Avenue and
NE 56th Avenue), NE 56th Avenue north to NE 51st Street ~~56th Avenue (between 47th Street & 51st Street)~~
- South: Highway State Route 500
- West: NE St. Johns Road (following Vancouver city boundary)

Article 4 – Membership

(formerly Article 3)

All persons 18 years of age or older and businesses residing within the boundaries will be considered members of the Association. This applies equally to homeowners and renters, as this is a neighborhood association not a homeowners association.

Article 5 - Official Recognition

The Truman Neighborhood Association is not affiliated with but is recognized by Clark County government. The Clark County Neighborhood Outreach Office entitles the Association to specific benefits and thus places certain requirements on the Association and its bylaws. The Truman Neighborhood Association is affiliated with the Neighborhood Association Council of Clark County (NACCC).

Article 6 – Dues/Funding

(formerly Article 4)

In compliance with Clark County rules no dues will be charged to members. ~~Donations are acceptable.~~ Voluntary contributions, contracts, grants, subscriptions, or fund-raising activities may be used by the Truman Neighborhood Association as needed. In accordance with Article 9, Section 5, the TNA Council has authority to approve expenditure of funds by a majority vote.

Article 7 - Meetings

(formerly Article 8)

Section 1. Association ~~General~~ meetings shall be held scheduled by the TNA Council at least three times per year.

Section 2. Special Association meetings ~~will~~ shall be called by the TNA Council as deemed necessary.

Section 3. Association Meetings will: be called to order; have Flag Salute; have Treasurer's report presented; have guest speakers and/or other relevant neighborhood agenda presented; have motion to adjourn meeting.

Section 4. Motions made and seconded at Association meetings shall be voted on by members present. Voting shall be done by a show of hands and approval shall be by a majority vote.

Section 5. The Quorum for an Association meeting shall be those members present, so long as notice as been duly given.

Article 8 – Officers/Council

(formerly Article 5)

Section 1. ~~Officers/~~The Council will consist of nine (9) members; Four officers: a €Chairperson, vVice-Chairperson, sSecretary and tTreasurer or as needed, with an additional five (5) as Council members-at-Large. Once the nine Council members are elected, they shall elect the four officers listed above from their ranks at the first convened Council meeting following the Association election meeting. The Council may choose to appoint more members as needed to lead large or special volunteer projects. See Attachment #1 for a description of officers/ Council duties.

Section 2. The Truman Neighborhood Association Council shall be known in these bylaws as the Council.

Article 9 - Officers/Council Duties

(incorporates formerly Attachment #1)

Section 1. Chairperson: The Chairperson shall generally supervise the business and affairs of the Association. He/She shall preside over all Association and Council meetings. Should the Council consist of an even number of mem-

bers the Chairperson shall be a non-voting Council member. He/She may represent the Association at other meetings in the community as needed. He/She shall act as the contact person for members via mail, email at trumanneighborhood@gmail.com, phone or direct personal contact. The Chairperson shall maintain all original and copies of official paperwork/documents pertaining to the business and affairs of the Association with copies provided to the Secretary for Association records. The Chairperson shall assign the duty and oversee the publication of the association's newsletter and maintain copies of them. The Chairperson shall be a signer on the Truman Neighborhood Association's checking account. The Chairperson along with the Council-at-Large shall safeguard the privacy of membership and crime watch rosters.

Section 2. Vice-Chairperson: The Vice-Chairperson shall assist the Chairperson when necessary, by attending meetings or other community events on behalf of the association. The Vice-Chairperson performs the duties of the Chairperson in the event the Chairperson is unable to fulfill his/her responsibilities. The Vice-Chairperson shall be a signer on the Truman Neighborhood Association's checking account.

Section 3. Secretary: The Secretary shall record the minutes of all Association and Council meetings. Association meeting minutes dating back 6 months or older shall be made available upon written request to the Association Secretary. Minutes from the last Association meeting shall be available for viewing at the next Association meeting with copies available upon written request. The Secretary shall record all motions to include: complete text, name of maker and seconder, and result of motion. The Secretary shall be responsible for keeping accurate records of all Association business, including but not limited to, all minutes, meeting notices, correspondence, copies of financial reports, copies of up to date by-laws, articles of incorporation paperwork, copies of all newsletters, and any other historical documents pertaining to the ongoing business of the Association.

Section 4: Treasurer: The Treasurer shall be the custodian of all funds of the Truman Neighborhood Association checking account. (formerly Article 7) The Treasurer will prepare accurate and timely financial reports to be presented at every Association meeting and provide a copy to the Secretary for inclusion in the recorded minutes. The Treasurer shall keep accurate accounts of all income and expenditures of the Association and provide a monthly bank statement to the Chairperson. The Treasurer shall prepare each check of the Association which shall require two signatures. The Treasurer shall be a signer on the checking account. Three authorized signatures shall be maintained on the Association's checking account. The Treasurer shall submit all account information to an Audit Committee each year prior to Council elections.

Section 5. Council as a whole: shall: 1) execute a duty of loyalty to safeguard the privacy of the membership and Crime Watch rosters; 2) appoint members and establish committees to perform necessary functions and represent the Truman Neighborhood Association; 3) make appointment(s) to fill any vacancy on the Council until the next Association meeting where members will vote on the appointee; 4) shall make informed decisions regarding Association issues and/or events for the good of the Association when impractical to present such information to the membership in a timely manner. All such actions shall be reported to members at the next Association meeting; 5) all Council meetings shall have a quorum of half the Council members plus one.

Section 6. As the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer leave their position, all official paperwork/documents shall be passed on to their successors.

Article 10 - Elections

(formerly Article 6)

Section 1. ~~Nominations and~~ Elections for Council members shall take place at the first Association meeting of the calendar year. ~~Announcement to be made at fall meeting advising any interested members to notify the officers/council members of their desire to serve as a council prior to the first meeting of the year when nominations and elections will be held.~~ Announcement of the slate of candidates to appear on the ballot for election to the Council shall be published in the Truman Neighborhood Association newsletter, mailed prior to the first calendar year Association meeting.

Section 2. Candidates interested in an elected Council position must submit in writing their name and brief candidate statement to the Chairperson by December 15th to be included in the slate of candidates presented to membership in accordance with Article 10, Section 1.

Section 3. Voting Privileges: One vote shall be allowed for each member. ~~No proxies~~ Proxy votes are not allowed. Members shall be required to show proof of residency in the Truman Neighborhood to be eligible to vote in Association elections.

Section 4. Voting: To be by written ballot. An affirmative vote on ballots cast by a majority of those members in attendance at a general an Association meeting shall be required for election.
(sentence 2 was formerly in Section 1)

Section 5. Terms of Office: Council members shall ~~will~~ serve for one year or until he/she resigns or is removed ~~by a vote of the~~ (formerly ~~officers/council or the membership~~ in accordance with Article 11. There is no limitation on the number of terms of section 3) office any person may serve.

Section 6. The new Council members shall assume office at the close of the Association election meeting.

Article 11 – Eligibility/Candidates

Section 1. Candidates must have attended at least two previous association meetings within the prior 18 months, not including the election meeting. Verification of attendance is per attendance sign-in sheets passed at each Association meeting.

Section 2. The Association Council actively volunteers and hosts neighborhood events at Truman Elementary School, thus all Council members are required to pass a Vancouver School District or Washington State Vulnerable Population background check and submit said verification to the Chairperson within 30 days of being elected.

Article 12 - Removals and Vacancies

Section 1. Any Council member may resign his/her office at any time. Such resignation shall be declared in writing and will take effect upon acceptance by the Council Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson

Section 2. The Council may declare the seat of any elected or selected Council member vacant if that member is absent from three consecutive Council meetings without cause deemed sufficient by the Council.

Section 3. Noncompliance of Article 11, Section 2 within 30 days of elections is cause for immediate removal from the Council. Council member will be notified by mail that they are no longer a member of the Council. Council shall then fill vacancy in accordance with Article 9, Section 5.

Section 4. In the event of a vacancy, the Council shall fill the vacancy in accordance with Article 9, Section 5, by selection of a qualified member and subsequent majority vote of the Council.

Article 13 – Amendments to Bylaws

(formerly Article 9)

These Bylaws may be amended or revised by an affirmative vote by a majority of these members in attendance at an Association general meeting, so long as notice of proposed changes are published with the call to meeting.

These bylaws are the standard by which the Truman Neighborhood Association conducts itself and its business.

These bylaws were adopted by a majority vote at the June 1, 2017 Association meeting.

These bylaws were amended by a majority vote on October 20, 2014 general meeting.

These bylaws were amended by a majority vote on October, 18, 2012 general meeting.

These bylaws were adopted by majority vote at a special meeting of the Truman Neighborhood Association called for that purpose in April 1998.

YES, I/We will participate in the Truman Neighborhood Yard Sale event.

Family Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

We are participating on: _____ Friday _____ Saturday _____ Both Days
please detach and drop off at Oscar's Market between 6/30 & 7/15

Thank you for participating in our 2017 Truman Neighborhood Yard Sale

(Please keep this portion for reference)



Yard Sale Dates: 7/21 and 7/22

Yard Sale Time: 9am to 4pm (Please be setup by 9am. You may close whenever you like.)

YS Participation Slips: 6/30 thru 7/15; slips should be dropped off at Oscar's Market, located on the corner of St. Johns Rd & 49th St. (above) The staff at Oscar's has kindly agreed to collect our participation slips. However, they are not able to answer any Yard Sale related questions.

Yard Sale Questions: Please email or call Cheryl Burkey at dvraider@hotmail.com (360) 696-8562

Supplies: A Truman Neighborhood Association Representative will be by your home Monday 7/18 or Tuesday 7/19 to drop off your Balloon Bag. These bags will contain 3 red balloons for each day you are participating along with a neighborhood map identifying all our participating Truman yard sale locations. Please post this map for people to see. If you wish to make extra copies of this map for the people going around to the different sales, please feel free to do so.

Signs: We will place Yellow signs with Red Balloons attached at all major intersections within our boundaries. Participating sellers are responsible for directing traffic from the main streets to their homes with their own signs - use a Red Balloon. Please remember to gather up your signs at the close of your yard sale.

Getting the word out: We will place ads on Craigslist, Facebook and Nextdoor.

Thank you for making our neighborhood a terrific place to live!
The Truman Neighborhood Association

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- Recognized Neighborhood Association of Clark County, WA
- Member of Neighborhood Associations Council of Clark County (NACCC)
- Supporting Clark County Sheriff's Office Neighbors on Watch (NOW)

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