Vernon Neighborhood Association
Meeting Minutes

Date & Time | Thursday, January 21
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Board Members | Christine Laliberte, Lauren Ross, Brooks Barth, Angie Rickard
Neighbors | n/a (working meeting)
Speakers or Guests | none

**ACTION ITEMS**

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| CL | ● Forward SJNA letter  
    ● Follow up with KATU  
    ● Contact Jess about homelessness speaker  
    ● Generic letter to businesses |
| AR | ● Contact Taking Ownership to speak at Feb meeting  
    ● Start to write up newsletter  
    ● Flyers (optional) |
| All | ● Start list of resources for reporting issues and voicing concerns  
    ● Work to complete contact info for Vernon businesses |
| BB | ● Bernie meme?  
    ● Air quality bike survey |
| LR | Get in touch with contact at Mult County Health to speak at future meeting |

**AGENDA**

- Air Quality Study update from Angie
- Communications Fund update
- Review Survey Results
- Plan February Community meeting Feb 17th
- SJNA letter of opposition regarding DEQ permit request by NW Metals
- Elliot NA email about racial sensitivity training
MEETING SUMMARY

Air Quality Survey

- BB has monitors and will survey with Patrick as soon as their schedules allow
- BB to create maps to save VNA from paying Greg for maps

Communications Budget

- We were awarded $500 for the 2021 comms budget

Racial Sensitivity Training

- The board received an email from the Eliot NA to gauge interest in participating in racial sensitivity training.
- CL said we were interested and will follow up if she doesn’t hear back shortly.

SJNA Letter

- St. Johns NA has requested support from VNA re: NW Metals relocation to St Johns
  - NW Metals has not paid fines related to a fire incident. They are attempting to relocate to St. Johns and the community is asking DEQ not to approve their permit request.
- The board will send a letter to DEQ in support of denying NW Metals permit

Survey Results

- The board reviewed the results of the recent survey on neighborhood issues. We discussed the best ways to communicate the results of the survey and how to best address neighbors’ concerns.
- The board decided that the best way to address concerns was to provide neighbors with informational resources on ways to report / voice their concerns. We will also aim to tailor our speaker series to these concerns.

Plan Feb 17 community meeting

- Will have 1-2 speakers (tent: Taking Ownership and a speaker to address homelessness)
- Will encourage neighbors to join by speaking to neighbors and printing flyers (tent.)

Local businesses

Game plan for connecting to local businesses:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1VmJCE03lSTkAkAVN3Je6Ief1dcBn2RLHKFU-X8Oh-hk/edit?usp=sharing
- VNA to send generic letter to all businesses in Vernon to get contact info and see who is interested in partnering
- Discussed supporting local businesses by encouraging patronage with stickers/temp tattoos for Vernon residents