

April 2025 Eleventh Edition Vancouver, WA

General Meeting – Election & Speaker from Home Share Clark Co.

Time for our current leaders to move on – Tracey has stepped into the leadership of an association near Cougar due to the death of its chairman, Casey is travelling more for work, Anne is moving this summer, Cathy has served on the board for three years beyond the bylaws' limit of four years. Below is a reminder of why we have Neighborhood Associations [we are NOT an HOA with dues, codes, restrictions and fines]. From the City's website:

A **neighborhood association** is a section of a city with a common identity. NAs offer a place to meet friends, exchange information, create projects and priorities, propose solutions, and have fun. An NA is formed based on the needs and desires of its residents. It gives residents a forum in which to discuss common concerns and to brainstorm possible solutions. NAs have summer picnics, holiday parties, etc. to have fun and to keep lines of communication open with their neighbors.

Recognized NAs give citizens a voice and an advocate with the city. They greatly improve the two-way communication between the city and its residents. Your neighborhood will have a clear, organized way to speak to city government so that your voice will be heard by elected officials and city departments. You will be put in touch with people who live near you and share the fondness and frustrations of your area

Organizing also opens the door to <u>increased communications with city</u> <u>government.</u> NA leaders receive weekly e-mailings of what City Council is working on and what other NAs' priorities and plans are. This increased communication can be a resource for upcoming meetings or other community opportunities. Your neighborhood may participate at a variety of levels. The city takes pride in partnering with its' neighborhoods. Through a collaborative effort, our city becomes more economically efficient and citizens have an increased interest and trust in government.

Please be part of continuing our NA by attending this meeting and being willing to serve. Crime in neighborhoods is frequently prevented by involved citizens.

Joint CLEAN-UP Event

For acceptable items please see this postcard reminder from 2023: /https://www.cityofvancouver.us/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Burnt-Bridge-Creek-Clean-up-Postcard.pdf

ELECTION Meeting

Thur., May 1st
7 pm
Good Shepherd
Lutheran Church
16001 NE 34th St
Vancouver, WA



VOTE!

Joint CLEAN-UP

Sat., June 14th
8am - 2pm
Burnt Bridge Creek
Elementary
14619 NE 49th St
Vancouver, WA