

# VPNA June Meeting | MINUTES

June 19, 2017 | 6:30-8:00 pm | Davis Park Apartments

**Meeting called by** Matt Ciranni (VPNA President)  
**Attendees** **Board Members:** Rae B., Brian K., Brian C., Alex, Rosalie  
**Neighbors:** Sage  
**Guests:** None

**Core Purpose** Preserving and Enhancing the Quality of Life in the Veterans Park Area

## AGENDA TOPICS

### I. General Announcements

- **Discussion:**
  - F35s: The national guard may put in the F16s if we do not get the F35s, maybe the F22. If that is the case then the noise might be equal; Elaine Clegg informed of the National Guard Mission in Boise. Boise has not had training missions for deployment. The F35 mission would be to get the pilots familiarized with the airplanes. The City has asked to have the F35s in for a test, but it is the State of Idaho that has the lobbyist to advocate for project here. There is no need to develop Gowen Field for a 3<sup>rd</sup> runway. The City is looking to build Gowen Road up to freight standards.
  - Rae went to an All Neighborhood Association meeting to discuss ways for the neighborhood associations to band together to increase the power collectively.
  - Concerns about the weeds at the former Salvation Army lot; syringes found on the lot.
  - Boise Bike Boulevard update: group is submitting ideas for Bike Boulevards to ACHD. One of the ideas is to identify a way to get from Lowell School area across State Street without using a major north-south street. The idea is to create a thoroughfare across the end of Woodlawn west of 27<sup>th</sup> street. ACHD meeting is July 10<sup>th</sup>.
- **Action Items:**
  - **Contact Gowen Field to arrange a VPNA tour and learn about the potential F35 mission and the Gowen Field history and mission.**

### II. National Night Out and Summer Events Ideas

- **Discussion:**
  - Neighborhood National Night Out is August 1.
- **Action Items:**
  - **Matt will contact Neighborworks to see if they obtained a grant to put on an event.**
  - **If not, VPNA could plan a bbq potluck in a park (Fairview, Veteran's Park or Esther Simplot Park)**

### **III. VPNA/West End Secession Planning**

- **Discussion:**
  - Letter ready to go out to Veteran's Park East to inform of potential split of VPNA/secession of West End. Letter requests feedback to decide which part of the Neighborhood Association that sub-neighborhood identifies with.
  - VPNA may have to change their by-laws to encourage more participation.
  - Finances: West End would need to create a new account; we would need to determine a way to divide the money/assets
  - Matt has reached out to past Board Members who live in the non-west end areas and has had limited response.
- **Action Items:**
  - **Kathleen Lacey is sending out flyers to Veteran's Park East.**
  - **Rae and Matt will create some flyers to explain the secession to participants at the National Night Out event.**
  - **Alex will obtain a copy of the VPNA by-laws and potentially any other by-laws, such as the Mesa Neighborhood Association.**

### **IV. Grant Ideas**

- **Discussion:**
  - Roland Street Pedestrian Pathway lighting project.
  - Previous ideas that have been tabled include art panels for Whittier and a garden shed for Whittier
  - Bike Boulevards
- **Action Items:**
  - **None**