PRESENT: Bill Mahoney, Denise Ryan, Ly Tran, Barbara Parker, Mary Gallway, Todd Foster, Rob Ward, Sharon Safarik, Kristina Darnell, Kevin Lundeen, Christina Shires, Stacey Kryman, Jay McCrary, Deirdre McCrary

COMMUNITY UPDATES:

•Kraus awardees have been informed of their grants and are appreciative. Receipts will go to Galen for payment

•Bill attended the recent community meeting at 701 Coffee regarding violence and drive-by shootings in the neighborhood, but another group led by Wyking Garrett with another agenda took over the meeting, which quickly became a shouting match with no effort to restore order, so Bill left. He plans to attend again if the meeting occurs on neutral ground with a set agenda and someone in charge.

•The Capitol Hill blog will change with the sabbatical of the current staff.

•Susan will report next month on a program to address drugs in schools.

•MCC wants to be a part of sponsored conversation regarding gentrification and related issues.

MAYFAIR:

•Permits and insurance are still in question. Bill will follow up with Galen.

- •Rob reports that volunteer solicitation is going well but more are still needed. Council members will likely do the set-up (7:30 or 8 on Saturday morning) and clean-up.
- •A second generator is needed for the bouncy house.
- •Ly, Bill, Barney, and Rob will tabulate revenue and costs so far to see whether we can afford to add carnival games.
- •Kristina wanted to know whether (and if so, when and how) the library should do a story time. The library can get a tent, and we can provide a table to set up a story corner. She also offered a Story Walk, signs that tell a story placed throughout the park, possibly on the theme of Madrona history or a picture-book story.
- •The school will have a raffle rather than an auction this year. There will be a booth with a tent as well as people walking around selling tickets. The theme will be birthday packages for kids and adults.

•Barbara will talk with Brianne about organizing carnival games. Denise has a game to donate.

•The Madrona School Girl Scouts will walk in the parade, and the older ones could also be used as volunteers for carnival games, selling, decorating donation boxes (Sharon will arrange).

•Rob will create and circulate a schedule for the whole day.

•Donor bricks will be sold for paving the path between the park and the school.

TENNIS COURT RE-SURFACING:

With the park's tennis courts showing wear and tear, Denise Ryan investigated the possibilities for addressing the problem. She met with a consultant who said that acting now, before the courts deteriorate further, would save money, the difference between Mid-Pack's bid of \$11,100 and a complete renovation costing \$60,000 to \$70,000 per court. Mid-Pack's bid includes cleaning, re-surfacing with more layers, taping, and lining, and it could be done in three good days in June; doing so would add years to the life of the courts for a modest price. Parks' capital projects manager, Kathleen Connor, said it's a great bid. She submitted it to the required

committee, which approved our doing it privately, but Parks requires a list of contributors and the assurance that there is community involvement. Bill moved and Rob seconded using the remaining funds from the original Madrona Park renovation (about \$11,000) to fund \$5,500, or less, depending upon how much is donated, of the tennis court work and suggested using the whole fund to front the work while donations for the other half are being secured. All present approved the motion. Galen, who was treasurer for the original campaign for the park, though not present at tonight's meeting, agreed by email to the use of the funds. There is already \$3,000 collected for the effort, and Denise's informal survey of tennis players suggested there would be additional financial support coming. With a renovated court there will need to be a process to reserve courts, recognize donors, and post rules. Denise will handle the publicity. Nets, costing \$350 each, will be provided by the city because the existing ones are falling apart. The city will also put up another "No Dogs" sign, and current dog owners using the court will be notified that the new courts will not support their dogs' use.

BUDGET:

Galen circulated bank statements by email.

NEWS:

- •Christina Shires and Kevin Lundeen will take over from Barbara as newsletter editors.
- •Cupcake Royale will be selling Sugar Panther Paws in April with proceeds going to the PTA.
- •The Rock-and-Roll Marathon is June 18, and Lake Washington Blvd. will shut down from 6 to 10 AM.
- •Hi Spot will sell Panther mugs benefiting Madrona School with the peaceable kingdom sculpture design for \$12.
- •Madrona School might sponsor a 5K fund-raiser jointly with MCC, but there are significant costs associated with doing so in this neighborhood because of the number of street closures and police required.
- •Another fund-raising suggestion is a BBQ, although there are now more hoops to go through with the health department than there were in the past.
- •On May 25 there will be a Fish Fry cooked by Leslie Beaver as a school fund raiser.
- •St. Cloud's has been sold and transfer to new ownership will happen in June, with John and Paul going to Park City.

•Denise will arrange to bring representatives from community policing to the June meeting.

•Sharon reported that the Madrona School spelling bee champion, a third-grader, went to Town Hall and lasted two rounds but wasn't able to go to the national bee.

Adjourned at 8:30 Submitted by Deirdre McCrary, Secretary