

Minutes: July 12, 2025

10:00 - 10:15 | Coffee and Conversation (w/ Talisman coffee) - 15:00 min

About 34 in attendance

10:15 - 10:20 | Welcome (Chad Cotton) - 05:00 min

Recognition of letter carriers, other volunteers. Mohan - peace labyrinth in progress. It is between Mennonite Church and the library. Looking for volunteers. Recognition of Jeanette's volunteer work.

#### 10:20 - 10:30 | Neighbors' Communications - 10:00 min

Mary - 2 shooters at Gaston. One imprisoned for steeling guns. Other guy is a drunk and lots to shoot his pistol after hours. Hangs out at bus stop, uses drugs.

Had fire at Gaston Apartments next to car wash and laundromat. 2 weeks ago, women fell asleep with candle.

## 10:30 - 10:35 | Library Update (Kelly Overton) - 05:00 min

WP Library turning 25 Jul 15, 2025

APL tuning 100 next year

Hooks and needles making mane for lion, will put up Monday

Kelly making giant crown

Staff put together 200 goody bags for participants, there will be 200 cookies

Special story time 10:30am 7/15/25. Intern Gabby will do story time.

Summer reading going on

Podcast making its way around - kicking the bucket listening club- about end of life experiences.

WP is one of the branches it is visiting, 7/16/25. See calendar.

#### 10:35 - 10:40 | Yard of the Month (Sara Jane Lee) - 05:00 min

Sherri Gifford 2007 Oakleaf Circle Winner traveling at this time



Loves hydrangeas, has a small hydrangea tree. Loves color, has native pecan tree. Pretty yard. Close to Blanton Elementary.

## 10:40 - 11:00 | Blessing Bags (Wheless Lane Church of Christ) - 20:00 min

Debra Owens, Sim Roberts

Thanks for invitation. Church Wheless and Wheless cove, 2702 Wheless lane, been there since 1990.

After pandemic, wanted to do more for neighborhood. Have annual community fun day. Rodney Foster minister. Historically have put together blessing bags / care bags. Focusing on homeless community. Bags contain non-perishable items. Do something small. How funded - asked for church members to donate. Women bags, men bags, other/neutral. Hygiene bags - shaving cream, razors.

Wanted to ask people in WPNA to participate. UH and PSS also interested. Also went to Austin Womens Center and Round Rock Womens Center. Kids appreciative more than parents. Also approach mobile loaves and fishes. Gave them hygiene kits- mouthwash, soap, razors, towels.

Also putting together kits for boys, girls.

WPNA requested 70 bags to distribute, Debra brought 10 hygiene kits, 1 girls bag, 1 boys bag, men and women kits

Will put together bags for Salvation Army for November and December. Women in church will crochet gloves, hats, scarfs.

back pack bags \$80 for ~\$70

Will post shopping list of recommended included items on WPNA website

PSS has Clifton doing food distribution, has a cares team Clifton says he could deliver 50 They will focus on Manor / Rogge

WP Contact Team has update on 51st / Cameron development. It is scheduled for demolition, maybe this summer. A lot of homeless people living there.

11:00 - 11:10 | CAG - SAMP (CAG) - 10:00 min



Small Area Mobility Plan - Community Advisory Group

Jeanette -

Larry Stokes has maps summarizing first round of community input

CAG working with Transportation and Public works, join effort with WPCT and WPNA - Rodney and Jeanette co-facilitators

Rodney - Chito helped put this initiative together Need more info on residential streets - have gotten

In Phase 3 of SAMP
Public survey available online (find link)

Will look at what can be done now, what requires more time / investment

#### 11:10 - 11:20 | Shade the Streets Updates (Martin Luecke) - 10:00 min

Martin Luecke - have teamed up with nearby NAs- excited about free trees October 18 is target date - got OK from Tree Folks

PSS will be at the event

UH is interested

NACA - north austin civic association - 30k people

North loop will team up with us

MLK will also hopefully team up

Will identify front yards that are candidates for trees 15' from curb

We have 20% canopy east of 35, 60% west of 35

Team did pitch at NAs - got positive response

Putting in application at end of this month to Roots and Wings

Applied for HEB tree grant (\$5000)

May need more volunteers for Shade Brigade

Divide neighborhood into 18-20 sections, put out flyer that they qualify for 2 free trees - 1 in front, other wherever they want

Trees are 5 gallon bucket, native oaks and cedar elms, trees about 6 feet high

### 11:20 - 11:25 | 51st Street Developments (WPNCT) - 05:00 min

Rodney - WPCT meeting 7/14 6:30pm

1124 Clayton lane, corner of cameron and clayton lane - across from Highgrove. Development team presenting on an affordable housing project for family-size affordable housing



City is working on city process to do demo on 52cd property. Other property had asbestos - abatement takes about 45 days. Property on 52cd will come down in next few weeks.

Hanks will rent out both vacant spaces between CVS and Windsor Village

# 11:25 - 11:30 | Delwood Sport Complex Repairs (Jason Adame) - 05:00 min

Jason Adame - co president Delwood sports complex. Been there since 1956. Provide affordable way for east Austin youth to play sports. With board since 2019. Has son 13, daughter 9. 100% volunteer program Over 250 kids in spring, 200 in fall. Only baseball and software now. Partnered with Soccer Shots and FC Westlake to bring in soccer

We got some storm damage. Field 2 bleacher setup Feb micro wind storm took roof off clubhouse
Found asbestos and mold
Last storm in May- took out entire bleacher field 2. 25k in damage

Our goal is to provide updated facilities

City has taken initiative to help with bleachers and clubhouse

25% of kids come from WP

Jeanette wants WPNA to make a significant donation

Parks and Recreation expects Delwood to do a lot themselves, limited resources City has committed to be finished with field 2 work in time for fall

Jeanette proposed use 5000 that was earmarked for shade structure to be partially or totally used to help Delwood with restoration. Proposing we could come up with \$1500-\$2000 to help

### 11:30 - 11:35 | Treasurers Report (Sam Searle) - 05:00 min

At \$65K - all time high
Received donation from mennonite church, \$11k
Started paying out scholarships
Started selling T-shirts, \$15 / shirt
Ideas from Sam - donations to Blanton or Harris, sports leagues, delwood sports complex



Next schools committee meeting - 7/21/25, create evergreen scholarship for 2cd-4th year of college

11:35 - 11:40 | Minutes Approval (Chad Cotton) - 05:00 min

Minutes accepted

11:40 - 11:40 | Adjourn (Chad Cotton) - 00:00 min