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Terry Deno opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

This year's Good Neighbor Award was presented to Jim Wiebers. Jim has been responsible for placing the signs along Indian Trail in advance of our monthly meetings.

Jeanine McKinney gave the Treasures Report. \$35 was collected at the February meeting bringing the balance of the account to \$6,541.49.

Applications are being accepted for the Community Engagement Grant offered by the city for this year again in the amount of \$850. It was suggested that we use the Grant money to sponsor one of the concerts at Prince of Peace Church again this Summer. A vote was taken to apply for the grant. The vote was unanimous.

There has been some discussion about looking into holding our meetings at the newly remodeled Indian Trail Library in the future. The meetings would have to start 1/2 hour earlier to comply with their hours. The meeting rooms hold about 50 people. The participants were asked if they would be accepting to that earlier time. All agreed to consider the possibility further.

Jake Jensen reported on crime in our neighborhood. The Starbucks and the Mobile station were both broken into. Crime Check received calls about kids banging on doors and ringing doorbells.

The Photo Traffic Lights are being installed in the crosswalk at the intersection between Indian Trail Rd and Lowell.

Annie Deasy reported that TJ Meenach Drive has a detour in place to Northwest Blvd or Pettet Dr. It will remain for about 5 months.

She talked about a Pilot Program the City is working on to help improve neighborhood connectivity.

They are seeking ideas for murals to be painted in some crosswalks to help with traffic calming. This program is funded through the Red Light Cameras.

Mark Davies gave the report from the Community Assembly.

Traffic Calming is currently accepting applications for Mobile Speed Feedback Trailers. They are due to Annie Deasy (adeasy@spokanecity.org) on April 7.

Applications for this years' Community Grant Funds (\$850.00) can be submitted starting March 20th. Training was held last night for all Neighborhood Community Grant Coordinators.

Council passed two new ordinances on residential rental regulations. The ordinances codify security for housing to reduce homelessness. It includes standards and enforcement regulations-a rental registry so we know what our rental inventory looks like. All Landlords and their properties will be registered and will be required to have a City Business License.

Council voted unanimously to approve a pavement to people ordinance which is an incentive structure to develop downtown parking lots. 30% of downtown are parking lots. This program will waive sales and use tax on new construction if a developer maintains at least 50% of units for workforce development housing for 10 years. These incentives can be layered with MFTs (multi-family tax) incentives. If we can't get development, then we will go back to the legislator and ask them to lower the 50% threshold to something like 25%-30%.

The next CA/CC meeting is scheduled for March 30th. Do we as a neighborhood have any items that we would like presented?

Clean Up Program event applications are live and were due to Amber Groe (agroe@spokanecity.org) yesterday.

Five Mile Prairie does not currently have a CA rep. I am offering my services to be their rep also and can attend their meetings if they might be interested.

Traffic speeding has been an issue on Indian Trail Road for a long time. In February a survey was offered to the neighborhood seeking their input regarding the placement of Photo -Red Light Cameras on Shawnee between Farmdale and Woodridge and on Lowell between Indian Trail Road and Valerie St. There were 103 responses. The results were 82 votes for, and 21 votes against. It was passed by e-mail vote on February23, 2023.

Three representatives from Excelsior spoke about the changes that are taking place at their facility on Indian Trail Rd. The speakers were Lynn Suksdorf, Drew Comito, and Sheri Farnsworth.

Now named Excelsior Wellness, they are in the process of remodeling one of the buildings to be able to expand their services to include a wider community involvement. They are expanding their services to include and welcome more people for outpatient health care and educational needs. The desire is to make the campus a more public place, community center and outpatient treatment agency.

Terry closed the meeting at 8:40p.m. The next meeting will be April 11, 2023.