

# GACC Board Meeting

## April 8, 2026

**Attendance:** Dianne Leonard, Gwen Springmeyer, Jenn Beck, Jessica Dalrymple, Jill Van Langeveld, Lori Galindo, Jim Jenkin, Joseph Murphy (Jurphy), Carleton De Tar, Kathryn Wright, Amy Merritt-Smith, Michael Hughes, Joann Whirlledge, Nate Brunner, Charlie Vandel, Cheryl Hostetter, Hilary Jacobs, Merrilee Morgan, Jessica Dalrymple, Paul Walton, Craig Provost (Z), Blake McClary (Z), David Berg (Z), Allie Palmer (Z), Kati Miller (Z), Lindsey Romaniello (Z), Michelle Shuttleworth. Guests: Peg Alderman, Dave Alderman, Olivia Christensen

### Welcome-

### Board Business/Announcements

**Dianne** - Steve is in London.

- **Community Kindness- Jenn Beck**

- **Bethany Brinton - nominated by Merrilee Morgan.**

- **Vote on Minutes**

**March Board meeting**

**April Community meeting**

**Lori moved to approve both sets of minutes, Jim Jenkin seconded. Motion passed.**

- **Discussion Items:**

- Board Officer vacancies - Chair, Chair Elect and Treasurer positions need to be filled. Bylaws say that a Chair pro tem can be appointed to serve the remainder of the term. Same with the treasurer position. It is important that we follow our bylaws closely. Dianne suggests that we appoint a treasurer to serve out the term, and then do the same for the chair position when it comes up in June. It is proposed that Nate Brunner serve as treasurer pro tem for the remainder of the year. Lori moved and Merrilee seconded. Discussion - the consensus was to have Nate appointed as treasurer pro tem to fulfill the rest of the term for this year. Motion passed.
  - There is no instruction in our bylaws for a chair elect pro-tem. Discussion - Merrilee stated that it is important to have the nominating committee interview and determine the best nominations for chair elect. Dianne agreed that if we wait to nominate a chair elect in November, that person misses out on training for the position. The general opinion is that we need to get nominations and have candidates for June as planned for chair-elect.
- Nominating Committee - Dave Alderman - As per the previous discussion, we still need a chair-elect which isn't dictated by the bylaws so the nominating committee is still active. Things have been fluid/changing and discussions are ongoing.
- Blake McClary - Board Emails: We've switched email domain names. We are paying \$5/month per email so we are deleting the ones that we don't need/aren't being used. If you feel you need a GACC email, reach out to Blake. We are keeping - civic engagement, fire-wise, land use, street fair: general one and sponsorship, GACC officers: secretary, chair, chair-elect, treasurer.
  - Can we forward emails to personal emails? Yes and we can provide instructions on how to get the emails coming to your computer and phone.
  - Should all members of the board be able to email all members of the board? Currently members of the board have access to all personal emails for members of the board. There will be a distribution list created as well.

- No member of the board will ever email requesting money in any form.
- Street Fair Update - Jessica: We are currently getting permission for the street fair location to be between I Street and O Street. We changed the hours to between 10am-5pm. We picked the artist - Libby Petersen. We agreed on formalized sponsorship tiers. Question - do any forms need to be changed for sponsorships on the website? Yes - Hannah has the tier breakdown in a spreadsheet. Gwen has the minutes from the street fair meeting and will send them to Michael.
  - Volunteer sign-up is live. Please commit some time to help out and tell your neighbors! No references needed. There is no confirmation email sent currently, but there is a message saying 'we've received it' once you sign up.
- Memory Grove Clean Up - Kathryn: May 9th. Winston Seiler is helping with coordination. Everyone should meet him. Lunch will be provided - donations are paying for it.
- CERT Training - Carleton: We are having a Spring exercise on 4/23 here at the Sweet Library from 6-8pm. Sessions on Radio Communication, Shelter Management and First Aid.
- Taxes and Finances update - We are currently a non-profit but not a 501c3. We are still eligible to take donations but they are not a tax write-off. There is still a tax bill due - penalties and taxes from 2015 (about \$3700). We currently have \$7,700 approved to help take care of this. Mark Howell is helping us get the taxes filed for the past three years. Once those are prepared, we'll have them reviewed by an attorney to confirm they are correct. We also have the D & O insurance for board officers in place and the premium will be paid this month. All other invoices are paid currently. No longer doing debit cards for events (ie street fair). The Finance committee will be paying invoices promptly and will be discussing procedures at their next meeting.
- Marathon - Jill Van Langeveld: Water Station on April 25th 6:00am-9:00am, located just past 11th Ave on Bonneville just before you get to the salt area. We need volunteers - we currently have 2 and we need close to 20. Peg has the GACC banner for the table. The newsletter tells how to sign up and everyone gets a purple shirt this year.

● **Set the 05/6/26 Community Meeting Agenda - Discussion**

- Open Forum - 10 minutes
  - Jenn Beck - Kindness Award - 2 minutes
  - Nominating Committee Announcements - 5 minute
  - Street Fair - 3 minutes
  - Chris Warton - 15 minutes - request to speak on the ICE facility status.
  - Friends of the Cemetery - 15 minutes
  - Alicia De Leon - Mayor's Budget - 15 minutes
  - Community Reports - School board, fire and police dept., Library
- Motion to approve this agenda by Paul Walton and seconded by Hilary Jacobs, Motion passed. Dianne will send the organized agenda.

**Future Meetings -**

- June Meeting - Primary Elections happening on the 23rd. Hearing from candidates beforehand would be great. David will figure out how this will look and will propose in May. Also, maybe have school board candidates later in the summer (Ashley Anderson and Jared Wright).
- West High Architects with Ashley Anderson from the School Board
- Friends of the Cemetery - Have a report on funds spent and planned activities (tree planting and clean-up). They are also hiring a consultant to get it on the National Register of Historic Places.

**Approve Content of February Newsletter**

● **Assigned Articles**

- **Chair Message-Steve**
- **Board Spotlight - Nate Brunner**
- **Kindness Article - Jenn Beck**
- **Ashley- School Board**
- **Cemetery - Dave Alderman**

- Environmental Tip - Jill
- Memory Grove - Kathryn
- Street Fair - People's Art Gallery - Kathryn
- Open Spaces - Hilary
- Wildfire - Amy
- 18th Ave Pump Station Update
- Mayor's office may do an article on budget
- National Weather Service - Water Outlook - Jim
- CERT/ Emergency Preparedness - Carleton/Joann
- Chris Warton - City Council

#### **Committee Reports/ Assignments**

- Civic Engagement -
- Community Improvements -
- Finance -
- Land Use - City Council voted down the rezone for the corner near Sugarhouse Park. No high-rise there. The 15th is the last day to comment on the Ellerbeck rezone.
- Memory Grove -
- Newsletter -
- Service-
- Community Garden -
- Social Media -
- Street Fair -
- Website -
- Wildfire Preparedness-

**Final Announcement - Dept of Public Lands event in September. Letter from the city (Dianne) Summary: Invitation for the GACC to participate in an upcoming scavenger hunt celebrating parks and open spaces. Goes from Sept 21 - 26 and encourages residents to explore their neighborhoods. They would like us to participate by either hosting a meet-and-greet table, a neighborhood-focused activity or sharing information about projects and ways to get involved with residents. These options would be either on one day or multiple days during the week. Start thinking about how we would like to potentially participate.**

**Adjourn/clean up**