Victory Heights Community Council Meeting Minutes May 19, 2020

Meeting held on Zoom hosted by President Ann Forrest, nine callers present.

We each talked about items of interest around the neighborhood which included many bunny sightings (same one or a whole colony?), a drive-by birthday party, and a skeleton yard display on 20th Avenue NE south of the park.

There have been no requests for help so far. Buy Nothing on Facebook is very popular.

The Seattle Police Department's Crime Prevention Coordinator position is currently vacant. Meanwhile, those with block watch or general crime prevention inquiries can email: Sgt.Heidi.Tuttle@seattle.gov

Ann is willing to make laminated "Please wash your hands upon entering" for those who want them for their home.

Around NE 105th Street there are a number of Burma Shave-like riddle signs for those who are walking around the neighborhood. There is also neighborhood BINGO, with four downloadable cards:

http://victoryheights.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/01.jpg

http://victoryheights.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/02.jpg

http://victoryheights.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/03.jpg

http://victoryheights.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/04.jpg

Ann has excess posterboard for anyone who wants to make celebration yard signs.

The closed Seattle Public Library branches have free wifi for those who want to park in their lots and get internet access.

The Emergency Communications Hub will have a "Virtual Tour" on Tuesday, May 26nd at 7 PM live from the park! Ann will, in true "Al Capone's Vault"-style, reveal the contents of the HUB to viewers. http://zoom.us/j/123356661

Ann has gotten into GMRS radios which are like souped-up walkie-talkies with better range using repeater stations around the city (otherwise they are line-of-sight). After more testing, she might do a class about them at the end of the summer for those interested in learning more.

We are looking into hiring mural artists to paint the large signal boxes (such as those on Northgate Way that are frequently tagged) and trying to figure out funding as it costs about \$1200 for each box (for time and labor) and there are 12 boxes around Victory Heights. The city would have to sign off on any projects first, and it appears there will be no "Your Voice, Your Choice" grants this year due to corona virus revenues crashing the city budget.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Ryan Johnson Secretary, Victory Heights Community Council