



# SPRING 2013

## Meeting Minutes for Sherwood NA

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MEETING MINUTES FOR SHERWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION - Meeting was April 23rd 2013

We had our spring meeting with guest speaker Clark County Commissioner Steve Stuart

It was well attended with several new people. We began with round table introductions. After misc. announcements we had Board Member Kate Griffith report on emergency preparedness. She has started a committee of neighbors who will bring information to our meetings and will keep us updated about preparing for a disaster. Thank you Kate for leading this and please contact Kate at ksgriff@msn.com if you would like to assist.

Summer Picnic - we are hoping to have an informal potluck get-together sometime in summer. Honey Bermel is working to coordinate things. Please call her if you can lend a hand - 503-481-4663.

Commissioner Steve Stuart gave us an update of Highway 99 plans for improvement. The section from Parkview Drive to 117th St does have sidewalk construction happening on one side of the street only. We reiterated concerns for the unimproved section from NE 99th St going north up to NE 129th St. This has been known to be a priority at the County for years but keeps being bumped from the budget. Commissioner Stuart thanked us for the petitions and said it does make a difference when we bring it to the attention of the Board of Commissioners. We also talked to the Commissioner regarding concerns for CTRAN service and the need to keep it accessible on Highway 99. We plan to have a CTRAN representative come to our next meeting.

Recycling Info- Clark County sponsors a "recyclingist neighborhood workshop" and asked that we pass along this vital info regarding **Film Plastics**

In an effort to recycle as much as possible, many people mistakenly put their plastic bags in their recycling carts. Unfortunately, plastic bags and other types of film plastics easily tangle in the machinery that is meant to sort recyclables into separate categories. This slows efficiency of the facility, as the machines have to be shut down to allow workmen to climb in and cut out the bags with box cutters. This material accounts for at least a 25% reduction in efficiency.

**So what should we do with them?** First and foremost, try to eliminate plastic film from your life as much as possible by taking your own reusable bags to the grocery store, reusing bubble wrap, and trying to reduce the amount of plastic film you buy in general.

**Reuse and Recycling** Plastic bags can be reused in your home (e.g. as waste basket liners or doggie doo scooper bags) Any bags you don't reuse can be properly recycled by placing them in the receptacles found near

the front of most grocery stores. This ensures they will be recycled with other materials of the same kind and not have a chance to choke recycling sorting machinery.

Our neighborhood web site is [www.neighborhoodlink.com/Sherwood\\_NA](http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/Sherwood_NA) Thank you to Bob Spinuzza for setting this up and managing it. We hope to get more people registered and we continue to add names to our email distribution list.

Thanks go out to St John Lutheran Church on Hwy 99 for use of the meeting room. Thank you Larry Rowe for helping with the key to the church.

OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE IN FALL 2013, probably October. Meeting Minutes written by Vicki Fitzsimmons, Chairperson. Any questions or comments please contact me at 360-607-8965 or [vicki.fitzsimmons@edwardjones.com](mailto:vicki.fitzsimmons@edwardjones.com)