

**1Wasatch Hollow Community Council Meeting Minutes  
October 22, 2008**

**Call to Order and Welcome:** 7:04 by Gregg Morrow

**Executive Committee members in attendance:**

Gregg Morrow, chair; Mark Brinton, vice-chair; Glenda Cotter, secretary.  
Anne Cannon, treasurer, was absent owing to illness.

**Approval of Minutes of 24 September 2008 meeting:**

Minutes were amended to include the purpose statement of the Wasatch Hollow Community Association, and unanimously approved as amended.

As many announcements as possible are posted on WHCC Web site, including information that may not be available at the meeting.

**General Announcements**

The Utah Humanities Council Book Festival will take place at the main branch library on October 24.

There is now a published schedule for leaf bag collection--new for this year--which in our area will begin on October 27. The schedule was included with the bags, and also included the holiday tree collection info.

The regularly scheduled WHCC meeting date for November is Thanksgiving Eve and the meeting date for December is Christmas Eve, so we will instead be combining the two meetings into one, on THURSDAY, December 4. Two of the six community councils in this area meet quarterly instead of monthly.

Ten-second idle-free stickers are available here; there is more information on that program on the city's Web site.

**Mayor's Office Report: 7:16 by Lisa Harrison**

Lisa can be reached through the mayor's office at 535-6338 or by e-mail at [lisa.harrison@slcgov.com](mailto:lisa.harrison@slcgov.com).

Adult and children's art classes are available through The Leonardo.

The city is hosting a series of events on discrimination awareness.

Subscribe to city e-mail newsletters at [slcgov.com](http://slcgov.com).

At this point the city will not be going to a four-day work week.

The city's sidewalk replacement program was discussed, and numerous concerns were raised, including the perceived poor quality of the concrete and the high cost of replacement. There has been some care taken to avoid going around rather than over tree roots when possible. Concerns and questions were not sought by the city, and there are many questions about billing and replacement schedules. The project director is Ken

Taylor. Information about these sorts of projects can be included in our quarterly mailer if we are informed in advance.

**Police Report: 7:36 by Detective Wierman**

A new detective should be assigned to our district by next month.

The monthly bulletin is available.

Operation Safe Passage is to help children on their way to and from school.

Interested citizens receive training and background checks; they wear green vests for easy identification.

The city police department is now using Crime Report on their Web site to display reported crimes. Link to crime maps at [slcpd.com](http://slcpd.com).

Nine incidents were reported in our area, mostly damaged property. There was one aggravated assault at Clayton Middle School, a fight that resulted in a cut hand. There was one reported home invasion on Kensington Avenue at about 18<sup>th</sup> East. This was probably drug related, and the residents are not being entirely cooperative. Car prowls increase at this time of year, so remember to remove valuables from your car.

At the previous meeting additional police drive-bys of the fenced area above Wasatch Hollow were requested. Det. Wierman discussed that with officers but hasn't heard if patrols have been increased. Any reports from residents regarding specific incidents or concerns are helpful.

Det. Wierman will send bulletins to Mel to post on the WHCC Web site.

The police dept. will host a public open house on Halloween for trick or treating. The canine unit, SWAT team, and bomb squads will do demonstrations in the parking lot at 315 E. 200 So.

Residents wondered if there are any plans for traffic calming or speed control on those streets that have multiple-block stretches without signs. While community residents are usually the violators, specific traffic watches can be requested. Thanks to the motorcycle officers on 15<sup>th</sup> East at Emerson and Kensington who have been ticketing stop-sign violators.

**Committee Reports**

**Community Garden: 7:53**

No one is here to report on the garden. Contact Linda Christenson or Dan Jensen for more information.

**Community Party: 7:36 by Natalie Clawson**

The Friday Night Flicks event will take place next July 17 at Wasatch Hollow Park.

**Emergency Preparedness: 7:40 by Steve Osborne**

Steve shared ideas for important items to take when traveling. It's advisable to get a hotel room on the lowest possible floor, and to find the emergency exits. Keep shoes and a flashlight by your bed, and in case of fire use a wet towel or clothing as a mask.

**Open Space: 8:11 by Gregg Morrow**

There is nothing new to report at this time.

**Riparian Corridor Update: 8:11 by Gregg Morrow**

There is an exchange with Susan Whitney on the WHCC Forum.

**Advertising on Web Site or Newsletter: 8:12 by Gregg Morrow**

It may be possible to use this as a way to raise funds, with ads by local businesses. There is a page on the Web site for community business. Some sort of fundraising will be necessary in order to pay for the Web site, and it would be nice to have funds available to WHCC. We need to look at incorporating through the state as a nonprofit, as we are not in compliance with the city ordinance, and that will also require funds (\$27.00 to begin/ \$17 to renew). Lisa Harrison noted that there is ongoing dialog with the city on this issue, as officials would like to see us properly registered. She also suggested that we should keep a file of businesses that are interested in advertising with us and come up with pricing guidelines for ads.

Mel Thatcher has a link to *Sugar House Journal* on the Web site. We should make sure that meeting notices are sent to the *Journal*.

**Bylaws: 8:30 by Mark Brinton**

We still want to get the bylaws in order; the process ground to a halt on the subject of absentee voting. That has the possible advantage of involving more community members, but in-person voting has the advantage of informed voting. Issues requiring a vote MUST be announced prior to any vote.

Beth Bowman pointed out that people need to be present and Robert's Rules of Order need to be followed. The discussion preceding the vote is important and often leads to amendments, so people voting absentee may not even be voting for the final motion. Sticking to the working rules for organizations is helpful rather than harmful.

Morrow concluded that it sounds as though absentee voting is not preferred, but the Executive Committee must vote before bringing this to the group.

Requiring that a certain number of community members be present in order for a vote to be valid is another discussion point. Special meetings require that notification be sent to every household; the city has that mailing list.

This discussion will be continued at the next meeting of the EC, to which all are invited.

**Other Business:**

The next WHCC meeting will be held on Thursday, December 4, as a combined November/December meeting. The change from the usual Wednesday date is necessitated by space availability.

**Adjournment: 8:58 p.m.**

Prepared by GC

