

West Colfax Association on Neighbors  
March 14, 2017 General Membership Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm

WeCAN Announcements:

BID is hosting a public meeting March 16 to seek input on how to make the Colfax/Federal cloverleaf interchange more pedestrian and bike friendly.

WeCAN Board of Directors will meet March 22, 6:00pm, in a back classroom at Confluence Ministries.

The PS You Are Here Chimes project is currently on hold as the Lakewood Gulch might not be conducive for installing the chimes.

DPD Community Resource Officer Bob Anderson had a new crime activity map. He reminded us to lock our car doors and not leave valuables in plain sight. Commander's meeting, March 20 at District 1 police station. Talk about whatever issues are on people's minds.

Josh Patrick, leading our Sustainable Neighborhood Network. We were designated for the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year as a gold level sustainable neighborhood. Includes our running club, tree planting day (April 15), and neighborhood cleanup days. Signup is available for anyone who wants to help out with the tree planting program.

Taylor Moellers shared about what the Sustainable Neighborhood program is, its history, how points are earned, etc.

Diana Dietvorst presented about the neighborhood cleanup days. Part of the clean up days is to do different projects, such as painting, yard work, etc for people who can't do it for some reason. A list was passed around for people to make suggestions of potential projects as well as to volunteer for the cleanup day in general. It is an opportunity to come together as a community and work together and beautify the community together. They will be May 20 and October 7 this year.

Presentation was made on the weekly WeCAN running club. Starting at Seedstock brewery and going around Sloan's lake, every Monday at 6:30. 294 total laps around Sloan's lake, 980 miles, and 65 different people have participated so far. 16 runs will get you a free glass.

Composting. Presentation was made on what compost is and why composting is valuable, also the actual process of composting. Denver composting class is free and happens two or three times a week through the gardening season.

Next is a presentation about the Denver Digs Trees program from The Parks People. This year, will have distributed over 50,000 trees over the past 30 years. Generally distribute 1000-2000

free or affordable trees every year. Other programs also include training community forester volunteers.

Terry Freeman presented next from the West Colfax Food Co-Op. She presented on what is available in our area to demonstrate the need for local, fresh, affordable food in our area. So far, grant funding has been gathered for things such as a feasibility study. Today, they are looking at a market study, exploring unconventional co-op models, and member recruitment.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:02pm