

**Fremont Neighborhood Council**  
*July Meeting- (July 27, 2009) Minutes*

**Welcome & Introductions**--Board member in attendance: Elfriede Noble, Kathleen Crosser, Erik Pihl, Dic Selin, Matt Gasparich, George Heideman, Stephanie Pure, Toby Thaler, and Norma Jones.

**Announcements**-- Night Out Against Crime, Tuesday, August 4th  
<http://www.seattle.gov/police/Nightout/default.htm>

**Guest Speakers**-- Dru Butterfield, Army Corp of Engineers, Natural Resource Manager

Removal & Replacement of Trees on the Shipping Canal – 356 Poplar Trees that line the canal are gradually being replaced over the next 20 years. Total cost is \$90,000, Species: Lombardy Poplar, common name: “Thieves” or “Ghost”. Saplings are surrounded by metal caging for protection from foraging beavers. Residents are asked not to remove the caging.

Rat Rock & Stimulus Money – Corp is planning to fill rat rock (smaller stones used to fill holes where large mouth bass hide to eat Chinook & Coho salmon) in the canal if they receive stimulus \$ for the project.

Justin Rolfe-Redding from the Seattle Green Bag campaign spoke and passed out information. To learn more: <http://greenbagcampaign.org/>

**Review and Approval of Minutes** – the minutes from June were not available for approval

**Treasurer’s Report**--Report and Recommendation for Investment of FNC Funds – tabled for next meeting

**Old Business**--FNC Website/Blog – The board authorized \$120 / 4 hrs of work for a website update, speaker on Blog site development will attend August meeting

---

Adam Morley letter-Revised Update-Erik - letters need to be finalized in a timely manner, some policy language may be ready for review concerning this issue for the Aug. meeting

Joint Candidate Forum (Fremont/Wallingford/Phinney/U District) – the board authorized up to \$100 for the cost of a facility for this forum. Matt & Stephanie volunteered to participate & relieve Toby of this responsibility

**Reports from Committee Chairs--** Land Use – Erik is brokering a meeting with the Assistant Fire Chief, recent 5-4 vote in favor of saving the fire station building, however 6 votes are needed for preservation. Transfer station update: Teresa Doyle will rule on EIS review and SEPA requirement @ KC Courthouse 8:30 am this Friday July 31, board members and residents are encouraged to attend

Transportation – suicide barrier discussed. State plans to put project out for bid on August 3, accept a proposal in September and begin construction during the winter. Multiple lanes of the bridge will be closed for the project which will be done almost entirely at night. FNC & QA community council both opposed to this project, board authorized Erik, Matt & Toby to look into mitigation options, potential action for increased public oversight and comment on the project.

**New Business--**Neighborhood Plan Status Update Meeting – criteria is being developed for who gets to the front of the line for a neighborhood plan update, please take online survey

[http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=kQwpOi8reK9I6WsgaFa31w\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=kQwpOi8reK9I6WsgaFa31w_3d_3d)

**Adjourn** – Board President Norma Jones announced she is unavailable for the September meeting and Stephanie Pure will lead the meeting.

---