

The vision of the Greater Brush Prairie Neighborhood Association (GBPNA) is to maintain the quality of life and well-being in our local communities yet direct healthy growth management strategies. This can be accomplished through building collaborative relationships between our state and local officials and the neighborhoods that are impacted

WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO:

- Preparing to become a 501 (c) (3).
- Creating a pathway for our "Correspondence Committee" to begin drafting letters to the County Council and our State Representatives.
- Focus on process development and how to balance our schedules.
- Increase participation and awareness within our Association.
- Reached out to County Council to schedule individual meetings
- Attended community meetings
- Reformat our newsletter
- Created an ongoing list of potential and upcoming development projects affecting GBPNA. We'll keep you posted on meeting times that you can attend, if applicable.

Trial Period for County Public Meetings/Hearings:

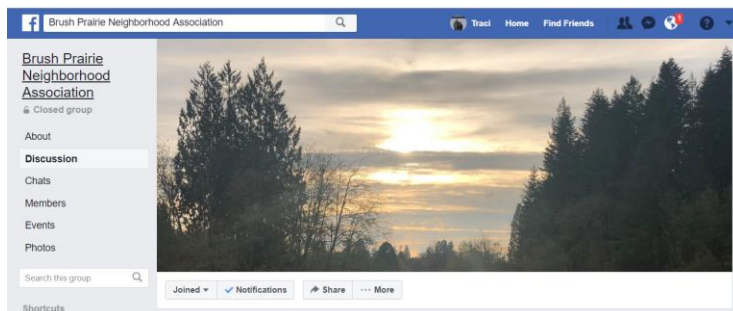
The County Council will temporarily begin holding their meetings in March and April on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6pm. This new time should better accommodate everyone's schedule to attend, compared to the current 10 A.M.

We're now on Facebook!

Search for: "Brush Prairie Neighborhood Association"

Stay current on all the happenings and highlights around Brush Prairie!

Please "Friend" us and we'll gladly accept your request!



WHO WE ARE

We are one of the many active neighborhood associations within Clark County. The Greater Brush Prairie Neighborhood Association Board (GBPNA) is a group of volunteers who are involved with community projects and concerns.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

President: Rick DeNise

Vice President: Jeff Cox

Secretary:

Traci Vanderzanden

Treasurer: Julie Kim

Director of Operations:

Mary Torjusen

Email:

Greaterbrushprairie@gmail.com

Facebook: "Brush Prairie Neighborhood Association"

**Please email us if you're interested in becoming a Neighborhood Captain

Our Boundaries:

West to East:

NE 72nd Ave to NE 212th Ave

North to South:

Battleground City boundary/NE 219th to NE 99th ST

Online Boundary Map:

https://gis.clark.wa.gov/ccimages/MapGallery/PDF/NeighborhoodAssocGreaterBrushPrairie_36x48.pdf

Newly Redesigned GBPNA Newsletter

Tell us what you think of our newsletter's new format and topics you'd like to see in future editions. Give us a couple months to finalize our layout and content and come May we hope to hear your voice and include your submittals!

We attended the Neighborhood Assoc. of Clark County's monthly meeting where Deputy Sherriff Rick Bishop did a presentation about the county's jails. Here's a few interesting factoids we learned:

1. Although national jail population decreased, female population has increased the last few years.
2. The county's bi-annual budget (24mo) is \$40M, and \$7M is spent on inmates' healthcare
3. The county focuses on retaining inmates charged with a felon, DUI and Domestic Violence as there is not enough room for everyone

SAVE THE DATE!

All events will be held at
1300 Franklin ST 6th Floor

Below are upcoming events you might be interested in attending.

-2/27: Property Tax Session, learn about your 2019 Property Tax rates and changes, 5pm-6:30pm.

-2/28: Public Hearing for Hockinson Brook Subdivision:-Building 22 more lots off 9404 and 9416 Ward Rd. 6pm.

-3/6: State of the County Event, open to the public. 6-8pm.

Other Dates to Save

-3/4: 2019 Property Tax Statements to be mailed

-3/16: 17th District Townhall Meeting with State Representatives, WSU Vancouver Auditorium 14204 NE Salmon Creek Ave 10 A.M.-11:30 A.M.

(We'll be sending out a separate email in the next week to expand on issues being addressed at the townhall- stay tuned)

- April: GBPNA Community Meeting, Time and location TBD

Facts About GBPNA:

- Established in 1999
- Participation with any activity is voluntary, not mandatory
- If you reside within our boundaries, you automatically are a member, and membership is free. There are no dues, fees or subscriptions.
- We have 2 Deputy Sheriffs; Dan Fronk and Shane Clemenhagen who serve the Brush Prairie area
- If you want to be a part of our email distribution list, please email us at greaterbrushprairie@gmail.com, we do not sell or share our email lists.
- Top Concerns: FRDU and possibilities of industrial development
- We do not oversee, regulate or manage HOA's

Did you Know?

- Parkrose Hardware locations are now accepting any used or leftover paint for free...so clean out your garage and get rid of those old paint cans you no longer need.
- Fort Vancouver Regional Library now has Lynda.com set up if you have an active library card. Learn the skills you need with Lynda.com. It is a resource that has training videos, from project management to software programs

Beginning next month, we'll be looking for volunteers interested in helping with our Annual Cruise-In, scheduled for August 17. Please contact Julie Kim at hj66mustang@msn.com for more information.