Admiral Neighborhood Association General Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2026

Officers and Executive Committee Members in Attendance:

Joanie Jacobs, President
Meagan Loftin, Secretary
Becky Crompton, Treasurer
Dan Jacobs, Communications
Bridgett Markille, Hospitality
Ryan Crompton, Place-Making

Agenda

1. Welcome
    a. Land Acknowledgement
    b. Our Purpose
    c. Introduction of ANA Officers
2. Approval of March General Meeting Minutes
3. Neighborhood Safety Update, Matthew Brown and Jamie Heslin
4. Treasurer Report, Becky Crompton
5. Admiral Church Update, Mike Piraino and Laura Sutkus
6. Fundraising, Joanie Jacobs
7. Summer Events, Joanie Jacobs
    a. Volunteer Meeting
    b. July-August Lineup
8. Neighborhood Clean-up: Ryan Crompton
9. Hiawatha Update, Dan Jacobs
10. Seattle Emergency Communications Hub, Joanie Jacobs
11. Memberships, Meagan Loftin
12. Meeting Adjourned
    a. Art Walk
    b. Questions/Comments
    c. Next General Meeting

Welcome, Joanie Jacobs

Thank you all for being here!

Land Acknowledgement

"The Admiral Neighborhood Association acknowledges that we gather today on the home territories of the Duwamish and Coast Salish Peoples, the traditional and current stewards of this region past, present, and future, who have reserved treaty rights to their ancestral homelands. We also acknowledge that this statement does not take the place of authentic relationships with indigenous communities but serves as a first step in honoring the land we occupy and resisting the erasure of Indigenous Peoples."

Our Purpose

"The Admiral Neighborhood Association is comprised of residents, businesses, and others who care about the diverse environmental, economic, and social sustainability of our Admiral Neighborhood. We believe in maintaining quality of life for everyone and exist to inclusively serve our neighbors and our community; the place where we all live and breathe and have our being."

Introduction of Officers

Executive Committee

Joanie Jacobs, President
Cheryl Lea, Vice President
Meagan Loftin, Secretary
Becky Crompton, Treasurer

Non-Executive Committee

Dan Jacobs, Communications
Bridgett Markillie, Hospitality
Ryan Crompton, Place-Making
Phil Frick, Member-at-large

Approval of September General Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve the January General Meeting Minutes by Dan Jacobs, seconded by Gary Williamson. Motion carried unanimously.

Neighborhood Safety Update, Matthew Brown and Jamie Heslin

- Matthew (Matthew.Brown@seattle.gov) is the Crime Prevention Coordinator for the SW Precinct, having temporarily taken over for Jennifer Satterwhite during her parental leave. He will soon be transitioning those duties back to Jennifer. Jamie (jamie.heslin@seattle.gov) is a Community Service Officer (CSO) with the department working in the south end of the city.
- CSO's work to divert cases away from SPD where armed officers are not needed (ex. offering resources to unhoused individuals, as well as doing outreach in the community).
- YTD crime is down 2% in Seattle as a whole, 9% in West Seattle, and 21% in Admiral. There have been 119 crimes total, and most of those are property crimes. Shots fired are recorded separately. In West Seattle YTD that number is down 12% (30 total incidents) and no shots-fired have been recorded in Admiral YTD.

  Q: Why do you think those numbers have gone down?

A: Likely crime is down. While there are certainly some incidents of crimes not being reported, numbers like we see in Admiral can't be attributed solely to underreporting.
Q: With the summer fate approaching and the World Cup affecting the area, especially Alki, what preparation is your department doing?
A: There will be a significant deployment of officers from every precinct to the downtown area during game days. For individuals, SPD's recommendation is to be aware of your surroundings and report anything you see that is concerning. With that much focus downtown, response times to low-level calls will be longer.
Q: Is the SW Precinct deployed downtown?
A: Yes, all precincts will be affected.
Q: What is a low-level call vs. a high-level call?
A: There are seven priority levels for calls. Ranging from the highest levels which involve the potential loss of life to low level calls including property crime. The best thing you can do to help is to take care of each other, check in on your neighbors and report something when you see it.
Comment: (Joanie) People being more active in the neighborhood and more engaged in the community can help bring crime down.

Treasurer Report, Becky Crompton

- We have around $14,600 in the general fund right now.
- In the midst of ramping up fundraising for summer events if you are interested in donation or your business is interested in sponsoring one of the events.
- Also its a great time to renew or become a member. Joanie: We're pleased to introduce one of our newest business members, Big Dark Records, promoting young artists in West Seattle. Welcome!

Admiral Church Update, Mike Piraino and Laura Sutkus

- This is the ANA's final meeting at the church. We will have a new location in the fall. Keep up-to-date with us through our socials (@admiral neighborhood), website (connecttoadmiral.org) and via our newsletter to be the first to hear about our new location. We are incredibly grateful to the Admiral church for hosting us for so many years.
- The Admiral Church has partnered with the Homestead Community Land Trust to donate their property for affordable housing. In exchange, the Trust is providing a space for the congregation in the new development.
- The development is 21 units: 13 townhomes and 8 ADA condos (in the same building as the new church space).
- The Trust is still working to secure additional funds for the development with construction predicted to begin in September of 2026.
- "Affordable housing" in this case refers to the adjusted median income for the area.
- All of the units are owned, not rented. This model creates generational wealth. The Trust is set up in such a way that buyers will be able to build equity in their homes while ensuring that the properties will remain affordable over time.

Q: How long will construction take?
A: The estimate right now is 18 months, but that timeline will likely flex.
Q: What is the adjusted median income in this area?

A: Around $100K but that changes depending on the number of individuals in the household.
Comment: It is expected that the development will have some market-rate units in order to close the fundraising gap. How many of those will be needed is still in question. In the meantime, the congregation has moved its worship to St. John the Baptist and has continued to offer the HUB as a community resource.
Q: The City seems to have a lot of funds for this sort of development now, is the Trust tapping into that?
A: Homestead has a lot of experience working the funding sources and this development has been in process for quite a while. They are using available city and state funding however the new city grant that is referenced here is very new compared to how long Homestead has been working on this development.
Comment: Also, SJB is still available for community group use, including the space that the Admiral Church is using while their new space is under construction.
Q: Does Homestead determine which tenets get a spot?
A: Yes, they are a large organization with a lot of experience developing projects like this across the city. They have their own vetting process.

Fundraising, Joanie Jacobs

- All of our events are created from fundraising and run entirely by volunteers, including those on the board.
- We appreciate our business and household members whose annual memberships help fund these events as well as our individual donors and business sponsors. We couldn't do this without you.
- Consider donating or sponsoring any of the ANA's summer events at connecttoadmiral.org
- AMP in partnership with Far Away Entertainment and the Admiral Theater is hosting a screening of an award-winning documentary by local filmmaker BJ Bullert about Admiral-born composer and musician Earl Robinson. The screening is July 2nd at 6:30PM at the Admiral Theater with a Q&A afterward with the filmmaker and local historian Clay Eals. Tickets should be on sale by the end of the week, benefitting Admiral Music in the Parks. You can learn more at connecttoadmiral.org/amp

Summer Events, Joanie Jacobs

- Volunteer Meeting: May 19th at 7PM at West Seattle Realty. We will be getting into the nitty-gritty of how these events are run. You can learn about specific volunteer opportunities throughout the summer and can speak with event organizers.
- Our lineup for upcoming events is:
    - Neighborhood Cleanup: June 6th at 9AM, location TBD
    - 4th of July Kids Parade
    - AMP: July 16th, 23rd and 30th
    - Admiral Block Party: August 22nd
- Additionally, the SWSHS's Admiral district tours are returning this summer along with a new residential tour. Find out more at loghousemuseum.org.

Neighborhood Cleanup, Ryan Crompton

- 9am on June 6th, Ryan has not locked in a location at this time
- Participants will break up into three groups heading across the neighborhood
- A Cleaner Alki also reached out and has a summer intern. Ryan will meet with Erik to discuss focus areas in the neighborhood.
- Note (Joanie) we are also partnering with A Cleaner Alki for Summer Events.

Hiawatha Update, Dan Jacobs

- Can has been in contact with Sharon Glass the PM for the playground project, who is unable to be at this meeting.
- Construction is currently expected to begin in late summer or early fall of 2026.
- You can find a map of the planned project on our website at connecttoadmiral.org/community-updates
- The Community center is also soliciting feedback regarding programming. Those contacts are also available on the website.

Q: Is there a specific order that we should contact people in regarding programming?
A: No, but you can include all the contacts on one email.
Q: Is there a plan to clean up the Admiral Viewpoint?
A: Not aware of any but can follow-up.
Q: Is there a cost to use library space?
A: Yes, and we don't want to use too much of your money renting meeting space if we can avoid it.

Seattle Emergency Communications Hub, Cindi Barker

The Admiral Hub, located at Hiawatha Playfield, is a central gathering place after a major emergency where neighbors can help each other out with resources and share information.

- The basics of the HUB captain position are very light but it can also be more involved if you want to make it so. You also don't have to do it alone, there is already a team in place, they just need a captain.
- If the HUB captain for Admiral is not filled, the box will be redistributed to another location.
- If you have any other questions, you can email Cindi at CindiLBarker@gmail.com

Memberships, Meagan Loftin

- We currently have 19 Household memberships which is a very small fraction of the 3,000 or so households in Admiral. Over the last year income for those 19 memberships totaled $2,040.
    - We have several options for household members to choose to invest in our neighborhood.
    - We also have several memberships set to expire over the next few days. MonkeyPod sends out a renewal reminder automatically but we've had some issues with our DMS and the email may have landed in your spam folder. Check with Meagan if you are concerned your membership may have lapsed.
- We have 12 active business memberships which also accounts for a relatively small fraction of the 100 or so businesses in Admiral. The total income from those memberships over the last year is $5,950.

    - We have several business membership levels to choose from. With different benefits, choose the membership that best suits your business. If your business sponsors or plans to sponsor one or more of our summer events, we also have a special membership, All in for Admiral, that includes sponsorship of all our events. And if your business plans to vend at the block party, our Leader level includes a discount on a booth at the block party/any of our events that have vendors.
- If you are interested in either a household or business membership and would like to discuss your options, please reach out to Meagan or look on our website connecttoadmiral.org/join-us.

Comment: Don't have to have a physical retail space the benefit from membership but it may also be useful for the ANA to coordinate with those types of business for better visibility.

Meeting Adjourned

- Art Walk is this Thursday March 14th from 5-8pm. Find participating business throughout the peninsula here: https://wsartwalk.org/2025/03/08/march-2026-art-walk/.

Q: Where does Admiral end?
A: Admiral runs from Hamilton Viewpoint in the north to Charlestown in the South. It runs from the Western border of Schmitz Park to the bridge on the east. You can find a map of Admiral's borders in the Discover Admiral Pamphlet in most of our businesses.

- Our next general meeting is September 15th at 7PM. We will update you with a new location as soon as we have that information.
- Thank you for being with us today and we hope to see you at our summer events!