

# Mill Creek Neighborhood Council By-Laws 2007

## ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of the Council shall be the Mill Creek Neighborhood Council.

## ARTICLE II. GOALS

*Purpose:* To foster communication among our neighbors. Enable residents to be more involved in our community. To establish a neighborhood improvement fund, granted by the City of Kent. To invite ideas from our fellow community members on where improvements are best implemented and how to allocate funds. Foster the development of neighborhood activity groups and events. By building this foundation, together we can make Mill Creek a better place to live.

*Awareness:* To heighten community awareness. To set and obtain goals beneficial to our neighborhood.

*Communication:* To provide an organized way for residents of the Neighborhood to participate in discussions of issues affecting the Neighborhood and to act as a conduit to members of the Neighborhood needing assistance from the City.

## ARTICLE III. THE COMMUNITY SERVED

*Boundaries:* (see page 2 for the description of the boundaries). Provided, however, that any matter of concern which may affect the defined Neighborhood within the City shall be a proper subject for discussion and action by this Neighborhood Council.

*Members:* Any resident of the defined Neighborhood as described in Article III above of legal voting age (18 years of age) that is registered with the Mill Creek Neighborhood Council as a member shall have full voting rights.

*Business and School Members:* Any Business / School that is interested in participating in the Neighborhood Council may become a Business / School Member. However, a Business / School Member has a voice, but not a vote; and it may not serve as an Officer of the Council.

## ARTICLE IV. DUES

Dues are not collected.

## ARTICLE V.

*Election of Officers and Term of Office:* Any and all Officers shall be residents of the defined Neighborhood as provided in Article III. If an Officer moves from the Neighborhood, then that Officer shall resign their position. The officers should consist of: PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, TREASURER AND SECRETARY. Election of the Officers will be held annually. The normal term of office will be for one year and until their successors are elected and take office. The council shall fill any Officer vacancies as they arise. Any Officer replacement shall be subject to a vote of the Membership at the next scheduled election. Areas within the neighborhood may elect area advocates to represent their interests if they so choose.

Meeting Schedule: Every third Thursday of every even numbered month.

Committees with Common Objectives: Members with common interests will be encouraged and supported to meet and organize neighborhood initiatives, activities, and events for anyone to participate in.

## ARTICLE VI.

Goal Statement: Our goal is to build a better community by creating a more cohesive neighborhood that will foster fund raising activities. The funds generated will be used to make improvements to our community. These improvements will be determined by all the community members who choose to participate at any or all the neighborhood community meetings. All residents of Kent Mill Creek are welcome.

### Boundaries

From the corner of Central Ave N. and E. Smith St, east along E. Smith St to Summit Ave N. then north on Summit Ave N. to E. James St. West on E. James St to Lenora Ave north around the loop to Prospect Ave and south to E. James St. West on E. James St to Mill creek north along Mill Creek to Kent Memorial Park. West to Central Ave N, then south along Central Ave N to E. Smith St.

This will encompass all of Clark Ave N. both sides of E. James St and all of Jason Ave N. both sides of E. James St.

