

Southwestern Hills Neighborhood Association
Board Of Directors Meeting
June 20 2011

The June 2011 SWHNA Board Of Directors Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President George Davis in the conference room at Wakonda Christian Church.

Board Members Present:

Josh Carman, George Davis, Dennis Trollope, Penny Harrison, Heather Carman
Anne Noah, Ginny Renda, Dennis Trollope.

Approval Of The May 16, 2011 Board Minutes. Printed copies of the Minutes were distributed at the meeting. Copies of these Minutes were, also, previously emailed to all Board Members. The Minutes of the May Board Meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was received. For the months of May & June. These documents were discussed. New member dues received attention by the Board, as did the need to renew our commercial advertisers. The Board approved both reports.

Old Business/New Business:

The Designated Neighborhood Application was discussed. Progress on this application seems slow due to the lack of application form receipt from the City. George Davis will follow up on this item.

The abandoned gasoline station/convenience store at 42nd & Park Avenue was discussed. Previous reports concerning the sale and development of this property is deadlocked due to the cost of removal of underground storage tank costs.

Movie night sponsorship was discussed and it appeared that the Board is in agreement to assisting the Des Moines Parks And Recreation Department in this effort which would included showing an outdoor movie at one of our neighborhood parks. George Davis is to search out possibilities for this project and secure a possible date The Board is in agreement that this would be a good project for the Neighborhood Association and we are looking forward to further plans for it to be held at Brody Middle School.

Doreen Stokes has been busy with the planning of National Neighborhood Night Out NNO. This is an annual event for SWHNA and the community looks forward to it each year. Doreen reports the following progress in the planning process:

Reserved Jefferson School. Three will be a cost to provide janitorial service.

Ordered food from Hy-Vee (same menu as last year.)

Russ Steenstrom will provide music (same as last year.)

Left message with Trudy at DSM Parks to reserve tables (asked for same number as last year.)

Need Door prizes.

George Davis is to contact City Council Representatives/Mayor, etc.

For NNO door prizes it was suggested that each Board Member seek out one nice gift and a couple of smaller prizes. It was suggested that last year's door prize awards were too lengthy. A few larger prizes as an example night out at a hotel, or similar larger award would be favorable and along with some smaller items would suffice the award portion of the program might be in order.

The newsletter is to be sent out in mid July. Submission of articles is being solicited.

Keith Belling moving from the city results in a vacancy of his office as Vice President . The situation was discussed and Penny Harrison was voted in as his replacement.

New Business item concerning the Fleur Avenue traffic detour entanglements at SW 30th Street and George Flagg Boulevard were discussed. The current uncontrolled intersections in this bridge construction detour were discussed and it was determined that an update concerning the progress in the bridge repair should be provided. Also traffic control signals should be considered for smoother traffic flow through the area.

Meeting was adjourned.

Secretary
Dennis Trollope

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