

Benton Park West Neighborhood Association – Board Meeting

Monday, May 9, 2016

Scott Called to order – 6:28 pm

GUESTS

Tom Pickel, DeSales Community Housing Corporation

Discussed plans for DeSales property for sale at 3153 Nebraska. DeSales is asking \$36,000 for two-family, gut rehab. DeSales looking for an owner/occupy situation. Also DeSales has another property at 2842 Ohio will start rehab soon. Mr. Pickel asked if 3153 Nebraska could be mentioned at upcoming BPWN meeting, April 19, 2016.

Alison Hillman, Fund Raiser for BP Rescue Event at BPWN Dog Park

Discussion of fund raising event for VIP Dog RSQ to be held at BPW Dog Park, Sunday, June 26, 2016, from 10 am - 2 pm. Need volunteers. Need sponsors. Allison will be posting more information on Face Book. There will be a silent auction, pictures of your dog for \$25, games, VIP guests. The Cardinals' Fred Bird will be appearing. All proceeds will benefit VIP RSQ. The event will be announced at the June 16, 2016 BPWNA meeting.

Eddie Schmid, new Member at-large to replace Marlow Dugger

1. Roll Call
 - a. President, Linda Hennigh, Absent
 - b. Vice President, Scott McIntosh, Present
 - c. Secretary, Libby Martin, present
 - d. Treasurer, Frank Becker, Present
 - e. Member At-Large, Dan Geary, Present
 - f. Member At-Large, Marlow Dugger, Absent
 - g. Block Link, Vacant
 - h. Communications, Scott McIntosh, Present - Sara Johnson, Absent
 - i. Finance, Frank Becker, Present
 - j. Membership – Karen Becker, Present
 - k. Beautification, Stephanie McKinney, Absent
 - l. Community Garden, Vacant
 - m. Dog Park, Chris Schmidt, Present
 - n. Facilities, Bill Byrd, Present
 - o. Fundraising, Bill Byrd, Present
 - p. Quality of Life and Safety, Carrie Sleep, Absent
 - q. Youth Outreach, Pam Welsh, Absent
 - r. Cherokee Street Liaison, Anne McCullough, Absent
5. Review of April 11 2016 Board Meeting minutes. Chris Schmidt moves to accept, Dan Geary seconds, passes, April 11, 2016 Board meeting minutes accepted
6. Review of April 2016 Treasurer's Report and 2016 Budget
7. Standing Committees
 - a. Block Link
 - b. Communications
 - c. Finance
 - d. Membership
8. Special Committees
 - e. Beautification
 - f. Community Garden

- g. Dog Park
- h. Facilities
- i. Fundraising
- j. Housing
- k. Quality of Life and Safety
- l. Youth Outreach

9. Discussion Items

- a. The Porch Review will be published on a quarterly basis, the first edition will be September 2016
 - There will be a new feature added - a profile of a member of the neighborhood
- b. Four New members signed up at April BPWNA meeting
 - Gail Aho - Bronze
 - Phil Aho - Bronze
 - Carol Boyer - Gold
 - Larry Boyer - Gold
 - Two renewal members - Carrie Sleep (Silver) and Shirley Bonner (Bronze - senior)
- c. Schlafly will not be a vendor at Oktoberfest this year. BPWNA may not participate.
- d. Fair St. Louis- the date for BPW Neighborhood's day at Fair St. Louis is Saturday, July 2
- e. Indi Hop, Saturday, May 21, 2016. Need volunteers, proceeds to Cherokee Recreation Center
 - The Sign Up Genius is up and working
- f. Operation Brightside has been contacted requesting additional gardening materials
 - Can receive up to \$1500 in gift cards from Home Depot
- g. No follow-up with Kaboom yet. Anne McCullough will reach out to them
- h. Cinco de Mayo great success - thanks to all volunteers
 - Anne McCullough will have update on our split of the profits
- i. Roosevelt High School Breakfast's Fundraiser, May 29, 2016
 - Roosevelt High School needs volunteers for Fund Raising Breakfast
 - To be held at Riley's Irish Pub 3458 Arsenal Street
 - The item is already in BPW budget
 - Bill Byrd moves to disburse \$250 toward the Roosevelt High School Breakfast, Dan Geary seconds, passes
 - BPW will recommend volunteer opportunities in BPWN for Roosevelt students
- j. Community Credit Union update
 - Demolition to begin June 30, 2016
 - Will be financed by SLDC/City New Market Tax Credit
- k. Action items

10. Open Forum

11. Adjournment –Bill Byrd moves, Chris Schmid seconds, meeting adjourns at 8:21 pm

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Bill
 - Process and order the four square devices which will accommodate the new "chipped" credit card
- 2. Frank
 - Monthly Treasurer's and Budget report; includes year-to-date budget
- 3. Karen

4. Libby
 - Work to increase membership
 - Monthly Board and NA meeting minutes
 - Letters of support
5. Linda
 - Attend NOM Training, at Buder School, Thursday, April 12, 2016 w/Dan Geary
6. Dan
 - Attend NOM Training at Buder School, Thursday, April 12, 2016 w/Linda
 - Continue to work on impact statements
7. Scott
 - Determine Flower Garden lock key holder and soaker hose needs. Set up watering schedule in meantime. Seek mulch options. Ken Ortmann checking with Forestry about possible delivery
 - Outreach to Loop Neighborhood Association for "how to" on Christmas decorating; include Anne McCullough
 - Send follow-up with Cherokee Neighborhood leaders on programming meeting.
 - Flower Garden - Carrie Sleep moving out of neighborhood. Scott will assume maintenance of "Our Community Garden"
8. Stephanie
 - Thank you note to Corner Pot planters and ask if they'll continue to 2016
 - Get new volunteers for orphaned corner pots; can move where wanted
9. Sara
 - Quarterly Porch Review in September