

Red Cedar Community Association Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, Sept. 10, 2014
7:00 p.m. at Arbor Forest Clubhouse

Present: Linda Dunn, Karen Hoene, John Howrani, Kierstin Sanch, Marcie Schwartz, Liz Schweitzer, Ruth Stump.
Absent: Erin Anderson, Maria Chisolm, Liz Harrow, Heather Rivera, Joanne Russell

I. Approved Agenda

Approved with the addition of FEMA update; preparing for power outages; appointment of representative for Steering Committee; Pumpkins in the Park.

II. Introductions

Kierstin Sanch, our CRC intern, introduced herself.

III. Approved July 2014 Minutes

Approved.

IV. Reports

Neighborhood Watch (Officer Adrian Ojerio)

Officer Ojerio was not present.

Ruth Stump will send him an email to ask what are the legal hours for work on the Trowbridge construction, and to inform him of our concerns about the homeless people residing in the under parts of the Kalamazoo Street - 127 overpass.

Neighborhood Partnership Program (Ami Van Antwerp)

Ami VanAntwerp was not present.

Community Relations Coalition

Kierstin Sanch reported that the Ice Cream Social, held earlier this evening, was very successful. Attendance was about 50 people. Bikes were not registered, as it wasn't possible to have a police representative there.

Neighborhood Presidents Meetings (CONP)

Ruth Stump reported that the September meeting has not yet been held.

Construction Junction/MSU (Jim DeWitt)

No report from Jim DeWitt.

Treasurer's report

Report from Deb Robinson via Liz Schweitzer, that our balance is \$752.

It was decided that the transfer between former & new Treasurer will be done before the April meeting. There was a discussion about the need for more than one signer for the bank account.

V. Old Business

Yard Sale Preparations

Karen Hoene has placed an ad in the City Pulse for the Sept. 13 neighborhood Yard Sale. There was a discussion about doing this in the future, and what is needed for success.

Retroactive approval of Marigold edging project and income/expenses

John Howrani paid \$300 for the rental of an edging machine. He also hired workers.

He will consider this as his gift to the RCCA. He collected \$170 from residents, \$5 per home. This was given retroactive approval. He suggests doing it again next year and collecting \$10 from each home.

Kletke bench

This is now under cover in Jim DeWitt's home. The bench should not be placed outside until it is treated for the weather.

VI. New Business

Kathy Boyle, EL City Council and neighbor, to discuss any neighborhood issues

Kathy Boyle was not present.

Setting an October meeting date for MSU reps to update us on future MSU housing projects

The date for this meeting was agreed upon as Thursday, Oct. 9 at 7 pm, as this would be the date of a monthly meeting. Alternate date will be Thursday, Oct. 16. This is dependent on approval by the MSU representatives, Ginny Haas and Vinnie Gore, and the availability of the Arbor Forest Clubhouse.

FEMA update

Liz Schweitzer reports that there was a revision to the city flood plan map, so that it includes a larger area of our neighborhood. This results in a larger number of homes requiring flood insurance in order to obtain a mortgage. Ami VanAntwerp previously informed us that the city was going through the process of changing this map. No progress has been made, as the city has been occupied with other issues. It was also noted that the ditch behind the Ivanhoe houses needs to be cleaned out in early spring, and we need to make sure the city gets this work done.

Preparing for Power Outages

We should to identify neighbors who might need help in such an emergency. We need to know what the city is doing about this.

Appointment of Representative for Steering Committee

There will be two meetings, on Oct. 6 and Oct. 20 from 7-9 pm at Hannah, for a committee to discuss Single-Family Residential Dwellings with Nonconforming Uses. We need to have two representatives of our neighborhood attend both of these meetings. Their names should be submitted to the city by Sept. 19.

Pumpkins in the Park.

Date is set for Sunday, October 19th, 2-4 pm.

Karen Hoene will chair this event. She will obtain pumpkins and paint; it was suggested that she inquire whether the Student Organic Farm would donate pumpkins. Kierstin Sanch will try to get cider and donuts from the CRC. Liz Schweitzer will get the number of houses for a count of flyers needed. Ruth Stump will write up a summary of how to chair this event.

VII. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 9, 2014

Submitted by R. Stump