

WESTWOOD PARK HOMES ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the January 10th, 2008 Board Meeting

Board Members Present

The board meeting took place at The Mixx. Present at the meeting were Kirby Upjohn, Ann Nixon, Gary Whitmer, Lindsay Wood and Ann Schleihs. Minutes: Ann Schleihs.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

SECURITY & TREASURY

- Funds in the treasury allotted for private security services are beginning to dwindle. Nearly \$1,500 is spent per month (\$360/week) on security to patrol our neighborhood. Services began last year in July, marking January as six months.
- The second bill for security services will be sent to homeowners in February. Included with the bill will be a letter from our board President Lindsay requesting neighbors to pay their fair share. In keeping with the board's promise, the bill will remain at \$75.
- Currently less than fifty percent of the neighbors have voluntarily paid the security bill. If the percentage does not increase to over half, the amount due will increase or the service will no longer be affordable and the security patrol will end. In six months the board will reassess the situation.
- Effective this month the WPHA neighborhood and surrounding area will change from Central Patrol to Metro Patrol. A welcome change that will surely involve better police patrol.
- Since private security has been hired, fewer incidents of crime has occurred in our homes association relative to the prior months.

DIRECTORY

- Lindsay has declared 'closed' the process of collecting homeowner contact information. The board will move forward with the directory. HACCD is handling the printing.
- If all moves along as hoped, the directory should be available for distribution for the Annual Meeting in April.

ANNUAL MEETING - April

- The annual meeting will be early to mid-April. Beth White is the contact person at Pembroke who can reserve a date. Similar to recent years, complimentary dessert and beverages will be served. The meeting will take place in the cafeteria hall at Pembroke.
- The board suggested inviting the Kansas City Parks Department for an update on Westwood Park.

- Possibly invite Beth Gottstein (4th district at Large) and/or Jan Marcason (4th District Councilwoman) to discuss neighborhood/city issues.
- Distribute the New Directory.

CRIME MEETING FOR CATCH & RELEASE - January 16th

- A meeting regarding the 'catch and release' issue will take place on Wednesday, January 16th, 7pm at the Guadalupe Center. Neighbors are encourage to attend.
- Board members all received an email notice from Lynda Callon, Director of Westside Community Action Network Center (Westside CAN Center) regarding the grave situation. www.westsidecan.org

STRATEGIC PLANNING

- In a brief discussion about future projects, the neglect of Westwood Park and Brush Creek have both been a concern.
- Lindsay would like to set some future goals for the board to focus on.

HOLIDAY LIGHTS JUDGING RESULTS

- Sharon Romine, 1406 W. 50th Street : Hall of Fame
- Susan Hard/ John Simonson, 5000 Wyoming: Red, White and Spectacular
- Bob Pfeiffer, 1615 W. 50th Street: Crayola Box
- Anthony & Mary Lipari, 4911 State Line: Kid's Favorite
- Mike Siglar, 4961 Bell: Lights Galore
- Ken Geha, 4905 State Line: Tasteful and Understated
- Michael Kearnes, 4904 Holly: Wattage Award
- Dave and Pate Evans, 4900 Bell: North Pole Express
- Thomas Curry, 1308 W. 50th Terrace: Classic Whites
- Lisa Garney, 1420 50th Terrace: Holiday Spirit
- Jim Rush, 1432 51st Street: Give Peace a Chance
- Jennifer Fuller, 4920 Wyoming: Winter Wonderland White
- Absolute florist, 5001 State Line: Peace & Joy (President's Award)

NEXT MEETING

- Next meeting will be Thursday, February 21st at 6:30pm. Location TBD.
- Future meeting dates: March 13, April Annual Meeting - TBD. Meetings will generally be on the second Thursday of the month.

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