

WESTWOOD PARK HOMES ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the October 11th, 2007 Board Meeting

Board Members Present

The board meeting took place at Karen's lovely home. Present were Kirby Upjohn, Lindsay Wood, Gary Whitmer, Karen Weneck and Ann Schleihs.
Minutes: Ann Schleihs.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

TREASURER'S REPORT - Kirby

- The weather was wonderful for the Annual Neighborhood Picnic. Everyone had a very nice time enjoying dinner, playing games, bidding on auction items and meeting neighbors. Expenses were higher than the money collected. The net loss was \$548.
- About one-third of the households have paid for the security (108 houses). If the low participation rate continues, the six-month billing will need to increase from \$75 to upwards of \$100 per household. Cost for six months of security is \$9360.

NEWSLETTER - HOT TOPICS

- Lindsay - Presidents letter: Urgent request for directory contact info and security patrol under budget. Also, take home of the month pics. Ann N. to provide addresses.
- Gary - traffic calming article, CAN meeting update and picnic photos.
- Include thank you's to our generous sponsors for the picnic silent auction items.
- Gary and Karen will collect the information for the newsletter and a neighborhood high schooler, Rachel, will compile the information into a newsletter format.
- Newsletter delivery expected to be mid-November, in time to announce the Holiday Lights judging on December 13th or 20th.
- The board is in need of a newsletter editor.

DIRECTORY

- Last chance plea to submit contact information that will be included in the directory. The board has made it a priority to get the directory completed soon. Communication is key to getting neighbors informed.
- Email lists would be helpful in getting timely information out quickly, as well as saving on postage.

TRAFFIC CALMING - Gary

- Gary explained the necessary steps the neighborhood will need to take in requesting the city do a study on traffic calming. It is a long process that does not guarantee the city will do speed bumps.

-A neighbor on both 50th Street and Westwood Road is needed to take charge of the traffic calming project, otherwise the board will drop the issue from the priority list.

COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK MEETING - Gary

- The first CAN meeting was at the West Side Community Action Network Center, 2136 Jefferson. Gary represented our neighborhood, along with Matt and Julie Tomasic both KCPD police officers. Refer to Gary's minutes for details.

- No matter how many convictions, criminals in Jackson County are not being properly prosecuted, if at all. Hence the term "catch-and-release". The criminal is back on the streets within 24 hours, often times doing the same crime again.

- The next CAN meeting is later this Thursday, October 18th.

METRO VS. CENTRAL

- The KCPD is contemplating having our SW corner of Central Patrol revert back to Metro. This would be a big victory for our neighborhood and provide more police coverage again.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS - Ann N.

- Two new stone markers on 48th street are nearing completion. They are looking very nice.

NEXT MEETING

- Next monthly Board Meeting is 6:30pm on Thursday, November 8th. Location TBD.

- Future meeting dates: December 13 or 20, January 10, February 21, March 13, April Annual Meeting - TBD. Meetings will generally be on the second Thursday of the month.

President - Lindsay Wood

Vice President -

Secretary - Ann Schleih

Treasurer - Kirby Upjohn

Islands - Ann Nixon, Susan Hard

Special Events - Chuck Stewart

Security - Ann Schleih, Gary Whitmer

Capital Improvements - Ann Nixon

Newsletter - Gary Whitmer / Karen Weneck Directory - Open

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