

**Countryside Homes Association Monthly Meeting Minutes** for 8/16/2011, 7:08pm CST

Meeting took place at Minsky's on Main Street.

Those in attendance:

Joe Grego, Mario Vasquez, Terry Rodeghier, Mike O'Neill, Kathy Arthur

**7:05pm-** Terry Rodeghier called the meeting to order. Minutes not available.

**7:08pm Treasurer's Report** – We currently have \$70,744 in our bank account. Accounts receivable = \$18,000+. Bill from Brad Wolfe @ Historic District in the amount of \$4,000 will be paid this month. This is our cost for the work involved in becoming a Historic District. Mario will send a web link providing the history of Countryside. Other expenses for the month include \$2,100 for enhanced security. The question of street signs identifying us as a Historic District was broached and it was suggested that we apply for PIAC funds to cover this possible expense.

**7:18 pm Neighborhood Patrol** – Problems continue around Loose Park with regards to drugs, etc...With a new Mayor now in office, we also have a new Park Board. Currently, Loose Park has no specific hours of operation and is open 24-7. Additionally, the park has no restrictions on activities and people seem to be taking advantage of the lack of oversight.

**7:31pm Communications**– Articles due for the upcoming News Letter. Please have them turned in by the first week of September.

**7:32pm Social - The** picnic is scheduled for September 17<sup>th</sup> from 3pm – 7pm at Countryside Park. Set up will begin at 1:30pm and all are welcome and encouraged to help. We need coolers, recycle bins and labor. Otherwise, Nadine Rodeghier has arranged for all the food and beverages and Terry has arranged for music and children's activities. **Dumpster Day** – Shall we hold our dumpster day on the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in October? Or the 22<sup>nd</sup>? Let's arrange once again for three dumpsters. Mario to work on arranging the dumpsters. Kathy to talk with Nan Bone at St Teresa's to confirm.

**7:39pm Islands**– The islands need to be aerated and over seeded. Joe G to contact Tom Dubbert, aka The Yard Barber to provide this service. Also, will request a bid for fall island clean up including leaf removal. Would also discuss with Tom the possibility of controlling the weed overgrowth on Main Street. Perhaps we also request clean up of storm drains? Kathy Arthur has spoken with KCMO regarding the trees on 55<sup>th</sup> Street and their viability in the midst of this harshly hot and dry summer. We have a One Year Warrantee and are approaching the one year mark.

**7:46pm St. Teresa's**– The new track and athletic field continues to evolve. So far, so good. The scope of work is greater than anticipated and has really re-shaped the landscape of that parcel of land. **Bryan School Repurposing** – Two meetings have been held between HOA's in the area regarding the eventual use of this property. The majority of the local HOA's impacted are very interested in what happens but not really interested in fully participating in or having a vested interest in the project. It's still undecided whether or not KCMO School District will sell or retain the property and there is a District Meeting being held on 9/15 at 5:30pm at All Souls Unitarian Church located at 4501 Walnut to share more details with the public about the buildings themselves and the possible future uses.

**7:53 PIAC** – Possible PIAC requests include: Historic District signage, Power and water to the park including lighting. Power to all islands. A traffic study for Main Street. Kathy Arthur to take the lead on possible requests including adding a bike lane to Main Street which would lead to a reduced speed limit. PIAC due date is 8/31. Mario to work on street signs.

**7:58pm – New Business** – 22 E. 54<sup>th</sup> Street is going to auction on 8/30. Minimum bid is \$96,000 and the buyer also takes the responsibility of paying the \$10,000 in back taxes.

**8:00pm – Meeting Adjourned**

**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, Sept 20th @ 7:00pm. Minsky's on Main.

Joe Grego, Loyal Secretary, Countryside Homes Association.