

WHA Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, July 13, 2013, 8:00am
Bella Napoli, Brookside

In attendance: Eric Youngberg, Pierce Patterson, Mark Forsythe, Lisa Duncan, Tom Usher. Absent: Marty McDonnell, John Rich, Beth Antrup

A motion was made by Eric to accept the May 2013 minutes, Virgil seconded. All agreed. Tom has the June Treasurer report. Pierce moved to approve the budget, Mark seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Planning Committee:

Tom noted that money has already been approved for purchasing mulch for our islands. Tom will ask Rockhurst students to earn community service hours by spreading mulch on our public areas Saturday, July 20. Pierce will get the mulch. Eric suggested putting the "Another Project by WHHA" banner by our efforts.

Update on Bryant School: KCMO will keep the building as a potential school re-opening. The "for sale" sign could be removed; lawn care would be good.

Communication:

Ellie Callison is our guest, and has agreed to produce our newsletter. Her email is emcallison@mac.com. The newsletter deadline is July 22. She will discuss key articles with Virgil. We currently have no advertisers. Ellie may ask some new Brookside businesses to advertise (Jimmy John's, Avenues Bistro- they are expanding). An update on the Wornall House construction was suggested, as well as an article on Missouri Bank. Eric may do an article on trees or a reminder to trim hedges and vegetation growth that has blocked sidewalks.

Tim Sadie (Mark's contact) has volunteered to manage our website.

Eric noted that it would be good to have a board member on the Brookside Merchant's Association. Pierce has attended previous meetings.

The Fall Clean Sweep is paid for. The October date is in question- we'd like to avoid Saturdays with any races or events in our area that block roads. Tom and Beth have asked for potential dates from various organizations.

Old Business:

Tom had a draft of the Welcome Letter for our new neighborhood directory, and asked for feedback. We discussed raising our low annual dues, as ours have not been raised for years. This would constitute a change in our bylaws, so a proposal to formalize voluntary contributions into a dues increase may be discussed at our annual meeting.

New Business:

Mark suggested a doggie bag dispenser be installed in Triangle Park, and asked who should be contacted to ask for the dispenser. We prefer a dispenser only, no trash receptacle. The city already empties the existing trash cans placed in the park.

New Residents:

Steven Vandee 30 West 59th Street

Maruta Budetti 5701 Central

Samuel Dean and Chelsea Rettenmaier 217 West 61st Street

Benjamin Witt 26 West 57th Terrace

Travis Noble and Nicole Glazier 6010 Wyandotte

Stephanie McGuire 304 Huntington Road

William and Shannon Condon 41 West 58th Street

Mark made a motion to adjourn, Virgil seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 9:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Sanford Duncan, Secretary