

Westwood Civic Association – Steering Committee
Minutes
Tuesday, August 12, 2008

The Meeting of the Steering Committee began at 7:00 PM outdoors, at the Westwood Town Hall.

Present: McNulty, (President), Lewis, Bach, Gweyn, Kuhl, Finn and McConn. John Sess, and Rick Boyd joined the group later. Excused: Kimmet, Huhn, Hammann.

ITEMS FOR DECISION

- The Board members present elected three members in good standing to the Board to complete the terms of departed members. They are:
 - Valerie Baumann replacing Dave Cook
 - Becky Weber replacing Jan Gehring
 - Brian Lee replacing Scott Gehring

- Please add their e-mail addresses to your list:
 - Baumann – URB513@earthlink.net
 - Weber – bimmy@aol.com
 - Lee – Brianlee1970@gmail.com

- Board voted to ask Metro to eliminate the 64 route. Ridership is very low on this line.
- Board members are asked to bring their ideas for City budget spending to the September meeting.
- Board members are asked to get in touch with City officials and make their observations regarding the outcomes of the NEP process.
- Civic members are asked to attend the meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 14, 7:00 PM at Midway School to attend the presentation on the Montana Ave. project

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- After discussion of the National Night Out, the suggestion was made that the committee meet to review and make recommendations for next year's event and pass that information to the next committee.

- McNulty reminded the group to pay attention to the NSP funding. So far, about ½ of the \$7000 grant, or \$3500.00 has been used to date. Trent, Joel, and Jim will meet with the auditor soon.

- There is a dispute with the City over their use of the \$250,000 allocated for demolition of structures (mostly vacant apartment buildings). The ordinance states that Westwood will choose the buildings to be demolished. However, the Department of Community Development is now using the money for demolitions wherever they want to do them. Civic leaders also believe that the City is delaying action on the \$750,000 TIF, because City staff does not like the program described in that TIF.

- There was a discussion regarding the Westwood School design. (Jim – is there a public meeting scheduled? I missed some detail on this).

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 by President McNulty.

The next meeting will be the August General Meeting, 08/19/08 at 7:30 pm at WTH.