

Westwood Civic Association

General Membership Meeting

June 17, 2008

Meeting Opened at 7:30 pm by President McNulty.

Secretary: Kimmet, Joel/ Sess, John

Attendance was taken: Total Present: (11) McNulty, Gweyn, Sess, Kimmet, Hammann, Kuhl, Lewis, McConn, Finn, Bach, Boyd. Excused: (1) Huhn. Absent: (3) Gehring, S., Gehring, J., Cook.

Police Report: P.O. Eric Carpenter, Sgt. Sal Tufano gave the crime stats for the month and introduced Sgt. Tufano as our new neighborhood Sergeant for Dist. 3.

Fire Report: F.F. Dan Ballard gave the fire report and stats for the month.

Treasurer's Report: Given by President McNulty (actual report will be attached to the July 15, 2008 Minutes, due to sickness/ injury of Treasurer Jim Huhn).

Parks and Rec Presentation: Suptndt Mike Thomas, Suptndt Steve Leconey, Director Merrifield gave a presentation on Oskamp and Dunham Park Renovations. Much discussion occurred from the residents present. A public meeting was held first week of June, 2008, and the Dept wants to make improvements to both parks. Discussion on "Miracle League Program" that was promised for Oskamp Park. Much discussion on Dunham -v- Oskamp projects. Pros and Cons of each project. WCA asked presenters to return in one month for a follow-up presentation.

West-Fest: Rick Boyd reported on West-Fest planning. 6/28-29/08 in Cheviot. The WCA Booth is at corner of Glenmore and Harrison. A volunteer sign-up sheet was circulated for times to work at the WCA booth.

Open Forum: Discussion on a City Council Proposal for upcoming City Council Meeting, Proposal# 26-200800710, which allows the use of govt funds to rehab public housing. Motion by Gweyn, Second by Lewis to Oppose the Proposal. **Motion Passed (to oppose)**

NEP Report: report by Sess on accomplishments of NEP program in Westwood. NEP will continue for at least the next 60 days within the targeted area.

National Night Out: Report by Sharon Lewis and Trent Lewis, Event is scheduled 9/5/08 at the WTH 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. This will be a great event, hope to see everyone there.

Westwood School Discussion: Mary Kuhl discussed the status of Westwood School. She has been taking photos of the school, with broken windows, trash, general disrepair of the building. City officials are refusing to keep up on repairs and fix broken items.

Much discussion from the floor on the status of Westwood School and the lack of cooperation from CPS and city officials to fix vandalism and break-ins on the property.

WestCurc report: John Eby reported on the Summertime Kids Grant to host COSI (science project for kids) at WTH on 6/21/08.

Westwood Home Expo is scheduled for July 12th at WTH from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.

The Westwood Giant Yard Sale: This event is fast approaching, July 19th. WCA needs volunteers to man booths and to bring items to sell at the sale.

WCA Meeting Start Time Change: President McNulty reported that future WCA meetings will start at 7:00 pm instead of 7:30 beginning with the July 2008 meetings.

Strategic Plan Meeting: President McNulty reported that the WCA Strategic Planning Meeting will be July 7, 2008 at 7:00 pm at WTH.

WCA Email List: President McNulty reported that WCA needs a volunteer to update the email list. This would be a great way to help get information out to all residents instead of just relying on the Newsletter as the only form of correspondence.

Motion to Adjourn at 9:30 pm.

Attached: Attendance Report, NEP 6/17/08 report, Westwood Home Expo Flyer.