

Minutes

MacArthur Heights Neighborhood Association Board Meeting
Sept 18th, 6:30 pm at MacArthur Heights Elementary

Board Member Attendance:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _X_David Hintz, Pres.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _X_Mark Vickman - Treas.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _X_Tim Gilbert - VP
<input type="checkbox"/> _Don Phillip	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _X_Debbie Vickman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _X_Megan Fierst
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _X_Cheryl Williams - Sec	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _X_Warren Schultz	<input type="checkbox"/> _Jenna Johnson
<input type="checkbox"/> _Julie O'Connell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _X_Barb Armbruster	<input type="checkbox"/> _John Armbruster

Other attendees: Dawn Daniels, Julie Schultz, Mary Hintz, Elaine Quick, Brian Fierst, Harold Nelson, Caryl Nelson

Approve Minutes and Treasurer's Report – Minutes approved by unanimous vote. Treasurer's report accepted. Additional funds given to pay for Auten's Eatery ad and City Grant for \$1,000.

Committee Updates/Forming Committees per By Laws – David Hintz reviewed the committees established by our By-Laws and their purpose. Please feel free to reach out to any leader or participant mentioned under a committee and join in the fun and work. Any questions or if you need help connecting in, please contact David Hintz at 227-7915 or Revdwhintz@hotmail.com and he will help you!

Social committees:

Youth: Need 2 adults to organize this. Little Library hosted by Warren and Julie Schultz. They have adult books and could use youth and teen titles for their library. Dawn Daniels on Oakleaf is interested in participating in creating youth events but has limited time and needs partners.

Special Events –

-Rummage Sale – Megan Fierst will continue to head this up. Reporting on the sale – 23 houses were on the map. More than 30 participated, which was awesome. Megan talked to and emailed a feedback form to those registered and received varied responses on Time of Year, Day of Week and how sales were. Those who had multiple houses nearby also participating had the best sales. Next year's sale will be Friday and Saturday, July 18 & 19. We will again put an ad in the paper (\$52/3 days) and use our signs. David offered the idea of purchasing neighborhood signs for Rummage Sales available to anyone to use – which will give 'uniformity' to our signage.

-Concert in the Park in June has also been a special event.

Others special events can be planned. We have access to city popcorn maker, tables/chairs they set up for us, etc. to support our special events.

Sunrise – Mary Hintz has started a brochure to present the Neighborhood Association and envisions creating a small basket, perhaps w/ a couple apples or a dishtowel, just to welcome people to the neighborhood.

Land issue committees – consider joining this committee, or in these efforts.

Preservation The Beaver Dam Cleanup will be Saturday April 26. There was a suggestion to invite participation to the SWHS Ag Dept or if we could become a Community Service project.

Conservation: The Brown County UW Extension spoke at the Neighborhood Leadership counsel and explained how to get a community garden going in our neighborhood. The Extension provides plowing and water and guidelines. If you would be interested in leasing a community garden plot for 2014, being a garden coordinator, or even helping find a site, please contact Cheryl Williams (jcw333@aol.com or 619-8963).

Beautification – Special thanks to Harold and Caryl Nelson who care for the flowers around the MacArthur Heights Neighborhood Association sign. They were beautiful this year. Thanks also to Ken who mows that area and keeps it looking nice!

Public safety committees – consider joining this committee, or in these efforts.

We will invite a guest speaker on Neighborhood Watch next meeting.

Focus On Energy program alert: This is a great program offered by WPS, but it is by appointment only. If YOU did not schedule a Focus on Energy visit, and a person claiming to be from WPS Focus on Energy comes to your door, do not let them in and call 911 to report it. The Focus on Energy program will be rolled out by area, and gives you about \$100 worth of energy saving materials installed free in your home: up to 12 CFL Light Bulbs, new shower head & aerators for kitchen and bath, pipe insulation, & water heater check. WPS WILL NOT EVER just show up at your door. This is a service YOU must schedule with them. The notification that our area is being served, and contact information on how to schedule it will show up as a notification in our WPS bill.

Other opportunities/Free trainings:

Emergency Community Response team – Meet Thursdays, 6:00-9:00pm, for 7 weeks, starting Oct 3. Offered by Brown County Emergency Management. Limited enrollment, contact David Hintz or the department for sign up information.

GB Police Dept Citizen's Academy – Meets Wednesdays, 6:00-8:30, for 10 weeks, starting Oct 9. Limit of 25 enrollment. Contact David Hintz or the department for sign up information.

Media committees – consider joining this committee, or in these efforts.

Newsletter – The bylaws state that there should be newsletters 4x/year. The Executive Committee will review the newsletter requirement as they review the by-laws and present suggestions to keep order, but not ‘handcuff’ us.

Frequency: We have only put out a newsletter once a year (correction: 2 newsletters per year were published '09, '10, '11. One newsletter per year was published in 2012, and now 2013.) There is a proposal that we put out a newsletter at least 2 times a year to help promote and communicate re: Spring and Fall planned events, as well as reach those who do not have computers to get our minutes or Facebook posts.

Distribution: Many people reported getting the Fall newsletter too late to be helpful. Also, individuals (across multiple streets) reported not getting a newsletter or Rummage Sale flyer. We will try to address with next newsletter distribution, but will need more participation on the committee, and help distributing newsletters.

Websites - This has just gotten started. We could use a back-up administrator.
www.greenbaywi.gov/MacArthurHeights/

Facebook – This has just gotten started as well. We need a back-up administrator or two, and another set of eyes to monitor city events of interest and repost. Like us on Facebook! www.facebook.com/MacArthurHeightsNeighborhoodAssociation

Funding committees – consider joining this committee, or these efforts.

A thank you to Don Phillip for getting ads for our newsletter. We will consider fundraisers for any needs that come up. Alderman Brian Danzinger has supplied the Concert in the Park. Popcorn machine and supplies are provided by the Neighborhood council. The park will even set up tables and chairs. We can ask how we can make a difference in our neighborhood. Jot ideas down and bring them to the meeting. Invite your neighbors to participate.

Old Business

Audit of Bylaws – Board officers will meet to review by-laws and present suggested changes next meeting.

Sign – The sign posted at Packerland and Westpoint was stolen. If you find it, please return it to secretary Cheryl Williams @ 1924 Evans Ct.

Next Meeting Date – November 20, 6:30 pm, MacArthur Elem. School Library.

Open Forum

Adjourn

MacArthur Heights NA Meetings: 3rd Wed, Every other Month.

2014: Jan 15, Mar 19, May 21, July 16, Sept 17

