

Joannes Park Neighborhood Association Meeting

February 26, 2013

Call to Order

Guest Speakers

- CSI/Police Report
 - Burglaries
 - Stressed a reminder to lock doors and shut doors tight when you leave the home
 - Some people get comfortable leaving doors unlocked in the winter months; thefts still occur during the daytime!
 - Main theft items have been iPods, iPads, and assorted electronics
 - Suspect tends to be someone known to the homeowner/victim.
 - Disturbances
 - Fewer in the winter, less police coverage in the East High/Washington area until springtime
 - There was a small fight last week, more details in the newsletter
 - Sex Offender in the Area
 - Jason Stache will be entering the neighborhood this week on the 1100 block of Stuart Street.
 - This was announced in the paper last week (Friday or Saturday)
 - Current offender lives across the street from Washington Elementary School
 - Alderman DeWane is working with the city to have these individuals know
 - NHA can do their part; write letters and contact the Department of Corrections and voice concerns
 - This information to contact the DOC will be provided to the NHA
 - Current guideline: if an offender was living in a city and convicted in a city they return to the city of their original residence. They are to contact the registry and board; however, there is not a lot that residents can do to resist.
 - Only one spot in the city that is officially 2000 feet from any schools or parks in the city of Green Bay.
 - This is an issue that is getting lots of attention from Alderman DeWane and is being addressed with City Hall.
- Alderman DeWane
 - There was a gaming facility that was interested in moving into the 900 block of Walnut; there was concern about marketing towards kids
 - This is no longer an issue; there is another business moving into that location
 - The individuals starting the business may want to open in a different location

Roll Call:

Mike Erickson: P
Shawn Kassien: P
Joy Haupt: P
Amanda Johnson: P
Nick Johnson: P
Donald Terrien: P
New Board Member
Don was accepted as a board member

(3 Vacant openings)

Mission Statement

Review minutes from Last Meeting

- Move to accept: Amanda
- Second: Shawn
- Carries

Treasurer's Report

- Previous Balance: \$1,
- Current Balance: \$1,274.43
- Spent \$46 for postage
- PO Box of \$76

President's Report

- Upcoming Events
 - East Mason Corridor
 - City is in the process of planning to improve Mason from East River to the Fox River
 - Focus on beautification with minimal construction
 - Baird/Walnut Street Improvements
 - Creating left turn lanes and install Smart Lights
 - Some members of the NHA board attended a meeting on Monday to discuss working with the Fine Arts program at East High school
 - Please contact Shawn if you would like to get involved.
 - A representative of the Fine Arts program suggested working with an artist with local roots (William Jauquet)
 - A partnership with Mary Franz of the school board will be a great relationship to establish – connect with local schools to incorporate the arts in the community!
 - Corridor will open in the end of July
 - This will lead to more beautification of the neighborhood

- Also plays in well with the NHA goal of a permanent pavilion and concession stand in Joanne's Park
 - This will be an opportunity to introduce Music in the Park and for us to hold an event
- Mini Grant
 - Due April 1st
 - Competitive to get the funds, huge benefit to get this money
 - A huge need with this NHA is marketing and getting our name out
 - Suggestion to have street banners on the light poles, similar to the banners in the Downtown Area. Also street signs, a professional banner, and landscaping for the neighborhood sign.

Committee Chairperson Report

- Fundraising
 - Sock Hop will take place on May 4th.
 - Need volunteers!
 - Next meeting Mike will have a sign up for volunteers to get a general number
 - This is an event to meet the neighbors; concessions sales are only to help us break even. The focus is not to raise a lot of money
 - Cleanup in the park will happen that morning
 - We can try to connect with East High students to recruit volunteers
 - Brat Frys
 - Dates are not determined yet
 - Copp's Foods does not take dates for the upcoming summer until March
- Newsletter
 - Looking for more advertisers
 - Handout of a flyer for area businesses to recruit advertising
 - Suggestions of area businesses – Bullfrogs, photographers, Surfin' Bird
 - Will have a draft of the final newsletter at the end of the week

Open Issues

- Handout of Joanne's Park NHA informational brochure to hand out at events, such as the one the parks department one distributes – rough draft
 - Note: try to get permission to advertise Go Big in the Bay event – recognition, positive event
- Business cards – board will vote on purchasing cards
- Hoping to win the Mini-Grant to help fund these marketing ideas
- There may be a parade in the neighborhood in the upcoming year
 - Chance to display the NHA
 - Too early to know much information about routes, dates, times

New Business

- General interest in park activities during the summer

- We will note this summer to see if there are workers to hand out equipment to the kids in the summer
- Note that there are no benches in the park
- Note that the Meyer Park sign was removed and there is a stump where it used to be
- Alderman De Wane will follow up
- Go Big in the Bay event will occur again this year, chance for us to get involved

Next Meeting Reminder

March 26, 2013 at 6:30 pm CP center

Adjournment

Move to adjourn: Shawn

Second: Joy

Carries