FHNA Board of Director’s Meeting

Monday, Sept 8, 2014

Present: Bob, Sam, Tom, Suzanne, Christine came late (Quorum was met)

Not Present: Lauri, Jess

Called to order at 6:35

**Intro:**

- Introduced Virginia Million from the cities code enforcement division

**Review/Approval of Minutes:**

- Tom moved to approve; Sam seconded; approved

**Treasure Report:**

- General: $

 - Garden: $

 - Garden Enhancement: $

**GR City Code/Neighborhood Improvement:**

- Bob would like to see further restrictions/codes regarding rentals

 - mowing, shoveling, noise, raking

 - Tom mentioned that often owners don’t provide shovels, rakes, etc

 - Virginia said that all fees are now “lienable”; additional fees are added, the city is paid, and it

 goes against their taxes

 - Bob suggested that there would have to be a training or class that owners must take

 - All rentals are now inspected by the city, not just multiple units; every 2-6 years depending on

 condition

 - Virginia handed out various documents…. see separate papers

 - sidewalk enforcement has changed due to the millage; now code enforcement handles it

 - the violator would have 7 days to shovel, but that may be changing this coming this year

 - number to call is: **456-3053**

 - \*\*\*\*email: **https://inspections.grcity.us/citizenaccess**

 - on the website is a list of rental properties by address

 - grcity.us – highlight the “resident” tab and find “housing” on the left

 - max 4 unrelated people in a house

 - Suzanne asked if Virginia could provide a list of rentals

**GR City Parks:**

- Tom and Bob made a survey of the dead/dying trees and submitted to the city

 - some of the dead ones have been removed; nothing on stumps or dying

 - Friday is the United Way “Day of Action” at Hillcrest and Wilcox Park

 - picking up trash, trimming, wood chips, painting, etc

 - Fuller is one of the parks approved for first round of millage money

 - architectural firms have been hired by Friends of GR Parks to create improvements

 - community meetings will be held for input

 - Tom and Suzanne, along with some FaceBook people, will be on the committee

 - neighbors have been complaining about barking so dog park now have posted hours, along with

 the sign about the noise

**Garden Sign**:

 - completed brochures have been printed; 200

 - Dan Ryan on Arthur gave Bob a quote of **$3,500** for brick work/permits

 - Beldon Brick will donate bricks for the pillars; we will need to pay for footers and caps

 - estimating $10,000 for total cost

 - raised about $2,000 already

 - Lauri and Bob are getting together to create strategy for fundraising

**Fall Membership Meeting:**

- due to Livingstones being new, lets have Fall meeting at Abney, but then have Spring breakfast

 at Livingstones

 - Tom was shot down for a meeting at Aquinas

 - hold at Temple?, but then additional cost for signs and possibly tick off Mayfair, so we will try

 for Mayfair

 - Thursday, Nov. 6

 - Bob to contact Catering Co. and Tom to ask Architectural firm for donation

 - Park Improvement Plan will be main presentation

 - Virginia Million to give 10 minute talk but time for questions

**Fall Newsletter:**

- insert from Friends of Parks will be included

 - insert for Garden Brochure will be included

 - dates will be communicated through email

 - Christine will write an article about the history and current accomplishments of the Board

 - Christine to write quick blog thanking volunteers for Dumpster Day

 - Kristine Huizen showed interest in getting involved and Bob is going to ask if she wants to edit

 the newsletter or get back on board

 - Bob to get something about Shop Hop

 - should we feature a neighborhood business in each newsletter?

**New Business:**

 - X

**Next Meeting:**

 -Monday, Oct. 6; 6:30 @ Biggby’s