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