

Walnut Hills Civic Association
10 May 2012; 7:00 PM Metrum Credit Union

Draft Minutes

- I. Call to order: Gregg called the meeting to order at 7 pm.
- II. Attendance (Five members constitute a quorum.)

<u>X</u> Engler (1)	_ Pellegrin (8)
<u>X</u> Suhaka (2)	<u>X</u> Caillouet (9)
_ Vacant (3)	<u>X</u> Bern (10)
<u>X</u> Garcia (4)	<u>Ex</u> Gania (11)
<u>X</u> Senn (5)	_ Murray (12)
<u>Ex</u> Flannery(6)	_ Tippets (13)
_ Vacant (7)	<u>X</u> Gregg (14)
_ GID: Maggie Haskett	<u>X</u> Lutton (15)
- III. Correction and Approval of Minutes 12 April 2012, Suhaka
 - A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the minutes as emailed. (Engler/Senn)
- IV. GID
 - A. Approval of bills
 - A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to approve the GID bills in the amount of \$900. (Lutton/Garcia)
 - Gary Jaeger for April & May, \$400
 - Maggie Haskett for May, \$500
 - B. Fence warranty/repairs, Status Report
 - Lonnie & Ilsa Gregg, Haskett and hiree Kyle, have gotten about half of the weeding done along Quebec.
 - Natural Way started maintenance contract on Fri.
 - Haskett spent some time looking for a sidewalk washer machine. Natural Way would do it with a broom & a bucket.
 - The sprinklers are on along Arapahoe.
 - AS: Why can't we just spray the weeds on Quebec & Dry Creek? Gregg: Not this year, they're too many and would leave a lot of dead greenery along the roadways.
 - Gregg has not been able to get in touch with Mike Connor at the City.
- V. Committee Reports
 - A. Treasurer's Report, Engler
 - Engler presented the Report and indicated that all numbers match.
 - A copy will be included with the minutes on the website.
 - A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report. (Senn/Garcia)
 - B. Membership Report, Suhaka
 - Suhaka report that we currently have 473 paid members, 15 paid with PayPal.
 - 30 rentals have paid, with one home both renter & owner paid, 4 renters have paid the rest was by owners.
 - C. Website-Lutton
 - Lutton reported that everything is up to date.
 - Suhaka will be typing up & getting some procedures ready for the website.

D. WHCA code enforcement report

- Bern wrote up a note for folks to trim their bushes & things blocking the sidewalk. He distributes these when he walks around the neighborhood. He will email it to the rest of the Board should they want to do the same.
- it should be published in the *Newsletter* (possibly as an anonymous letter to the editor) and should be on the website. The website currently has the ordinances.
- HE: What is the WHCA Board's responsibility to Code Enforcement? Gregg: Nothing, we are just trying to keep up the neighborhood.

E. Arapahoe Road I25 Improvement, Gregg

- Final plans should be ready in Aug. There will be a 30-day window to comment. The sound walls are not yet decided. It seems pretty much decided that a soundwall will be needed on Arapahoe, but nothing yet sure about Yosemite.
- All of Arapahoe Rd and all land up to the fence are in Greenwood Village.
- The last public meeting, to comment on the final plan, will be in Aug.

VI. Old Business

A. Dumpster Days, 5/12 & 19

1. Expenditures

- We'll have 2 trucks on each day @ \$400 per truck. (Total \$1600 for trucks)
 - We can have a third truck if necessary
- The WHCA normally tips the workers \$50 each for each day. General consensus of the Board is that this is fine.

2. A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to allow the Boy Scouts to sell first aid kits during Dumpster Days. (Bern/Caillouet)

VII. Upcoming Events

A. Community Garage Sale, 6/8-9/2012

- Garcia will place all the ads, i.e., *Denver Post*, *Villager*, *Centennial Citizen*, Craigs List.
- Suhaka will put out the event signs.

B. Landscape Contest, Week of 6/25/2012

- Senn, Engler, Lutton and Caillouet volunteered to be the judges. Senn urged Board members to patrol their neighborhoods and send addresses of good lawns to them.

C. Fourth of July Parade/Ice Cream Social, 7/04/2012

- Suhaka & Senn manage the parade and don't need anything right now.
- Gregg will check with Liks and then Blue Bell to get the ice cream: chocolate, vanilla, strawberry & ?? (cookie dough, chocolate chip?)

D. National Night Out, 8/07/2012: Gania was not present

- Gregg said he spoke to Gania: Target is on board, talking to corporate for more approval. If they approve, they'll provide food.
- Paula Hillman has volunteered to help.
- AngloNation is a country rock group we'd like to have sing. Suhaka will check on electricity for the amphitheater.
- Suhaka will check Karel Cashmore for chair massages.
- Bern & Caillouet have canopies we can use.

VIII. New Business

A. Community Garden

- Bern sent an overhead picture of the area to the Board.
- Gregg indicated that it is possible for this to be funded by the GID. SSPRD must release the land to the WHCA.

- Gregg will be reviewing several community gardens.
- Engler spoke briefly about the raised beds they use at Highlands Ranch. They're available in 6' x 12', 12' x 12', each has it's own fence & gate, \$95 flat fee + \$35 per year for water. He emailed pictures to the Board members. He's trying to get the rules and regulations for buying into the garden.
- Arapahoe Estates has their completely fenced in split rail, of which the bottom 6" is chicken wire. They have raised beds, 12' x 15' and there are 2 shared garden spaces everyone shares in. The shared area has trees, bench, rocks. Their fee is \$200 per year per bed.
- Our Initial costs would include building the beds and fencing.
- Gregg believes we should rent out beds, not a communal garden.
- We'd have to put down or use some sort of weed barrier under the boxes.
- The walkways have to be a minimum of 40" for accessibility. They'd probably be wood chips or gravel.
- Once it gets to the point where it's self-sufficient, GID money would not be used.
- It's .42 acres and there's an Xcel easement. There's a path there that kids use to the bus. There might be flood issues

B. CenCON

- The dues are \$30 per year. A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve paying the CenCON dues. (Engler/Garcia)
- Gregg will be the Representative.
- Suhaka commented that she could be the Representative and the association chair is already considered a voting member.

C. Colorado Secretary of State

- Gregg changed the Registered Agent at a cost of \$10 and also paid \$10 for a Periodic Review. He received a Certificate of Good Standing from the SOS.
- A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to reimburse Gregg \$20. (Suhaka/Garcia)

D. *Walnut Hills Newsletter*: Gregg

- One Statement of the *Newsletter* is to give to the Scholarship.
- It needs money in the bank for a down time, needs a reserve.
- Ilsa Gregg: the add person gets 25% of what she brought in; 35% goes to the editor at the end of the year.
- Senn calls the ad buyers every month for permission to run their ad, then bills them.
- Engler: No money should be coming out of a personal pocket.
- IGregg: There are 70 volunteers to deliver the news, 6 area distributors get paid \$100 per year, Kenan Gregg gets \$100 an issue to stuff flyers and/or prepare papers.

IX. Adjourn: Gregg adjourned the meeting at 8:47pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea Suhaka.