

Walnut Hills Civic Association
13 September 2012; 7:00 PM Metrum Credit Union

Minutes

- I. Call to order: 7 pm
- II. Attendance (Five members constitute a quorum.)
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| <u>X</u> | Engler (1) | <u>—</u> | Vacant (8) |
| <u>X</u> | Suhaka (2) | <u>Ex</u> | Bern (9) |
| <u>X</u> | Whiting (3) | <u>X</u> | Caillouet (10) |
| <u>X</u> | Garcia (4) | <u>X</u> | Gania (11) |
| <u>Ex</u> | Senn (5) | <u>X</u> | Murray (12) |
| <u>—</u> | Vacant (6) | <u>X</u> | Tippets (13) |
| <u>—</u> | Vacant (7) | <u>X</u> | Gregg (14) |
| <u>X</u> | GID: Maggie Haskett | <u>Ex</u> | Lutton (15) |
| <u>—</u> | Guests: none | | |
- III. Correction and Approval of Minutes 9 August, 2012
- A motion was made seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of 9 Aug. 2012 as emailed. (Engler/Whiting)
- IV. GID
- a. Approval of Bills
- A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the GID bills as presented, total \$1608.75. (Gania/Tippets)
 - Natural way \$708.75
 - Haskett, 500
 - Jaeger, 400
 - A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve Haskett's expenses for 2012 of 200.58 (Tippets/Caillouet)
 - Engler: Vendors should invoice the City. WHCA should not be paying up front and seeking reimbursement. Centennial won't reimburse us until our check has cleared and we at least two outstanding checks. Haskett's expenses come out of her paycheck if she doesn't invoice us, so we need to pay her directly and seek reimbursement. Engler made the motion below, which was seconded and passed unanimously (Engler/Gania)
 - I move that the WHCA Board direct the GID Project Manager to inform all vendors that do work for the GID to submit an invoice after all work is done. The Project Manager will then submit the invoice to the WHCA BoD for approval, who will then submit the invoice to the City of Centennial for payment directly to the vendor. Under no circumstances will payment be made by the Project Manager or the WHCA BoD directly to the vendor.
 - The Natural Way contract is up in Dec. Do we want to do a contract for the whole perimeter? Consensus, yes. Haskett would like 2 contracts: one just for weeding & trash and one for trees, shrubs & general maintenance, trim shrubs less frequently, spring & fall clean up on Arapahoe & Yosemite.
 - We would have to go to bid and use the City's approved vendor list. This could convince the Natural Way to do a better job.

b. Projects

1. Continued problems on Dry Creek and on Quebec: pickets have been replaced but not posts. Board comments that some pickets are not done & some fascia board is still missing.
2. Gregg & Engler met with Mike Connor at Centennial: we have \$100K in our budget for this year. Rock wall on Dry Creek needs fixing, remove rock from Dry Creek and put it on Quebec, mulch everything else.
 - There is no more roadwork scheduled for WH this year so the Engler request to fix the railing on Quebec over Little Dry Creek will wait until 2013. There is a light post at Quebec & Costilla where the surrounding land has sunk leaving a dangerous situation.
3. Fencing is missing on the south side of the Arapahoe/Yosemite strip mall. It's required by their FDP. Gregg will follow up.
4. Community Garden
 - Irrigation, fencing and materials can be funded by the GID per discussion with Mike Connor. All paperwork has been submitted.

V. Committee Reports

a. Treasurer's Report, Engler

- Engler gave a brief recap of the report he emailed.
 - Expenses web hosting, check fee, High Altitude Landscaping Design.
- A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to approve the Treasurer's report as emailed. (Tippets/Caillouet)
- Insurance: The charge is \$264, for \$10K bond for the Treasurer. AS: It's good for our association to have the treasurer bonded. JT: He believes we should renew no matter how much we trust Engler. We have much more than \$10K in the bank so Garcia will check on costs for bonds at \$20 & \$30K.

b. Membership Report, Suhaka

- There's been nothing in the mailbox in over a week.
- We have 528 paid members. Dumpster Day in Oct. should bring in a few more.

c. Website, Lutton: absent

d. Past/Upcoming meetings

1. The Arapahoe Road/I-25 EA, Gregg

- Executive Comm. met on 7 Sept.
 - Gregg emailed the graphics from that meeting to the Board.
 - The meeting wasn't well attended: City, GWV, CDOT and a few others.
 - There is a deadline of 5 Oct. to submit comments to website. They must answer ALL comments. Next comes a FONSI (Finding of No Significant Impact). DRCOG has approved Yosemite as a separate project. Members of the Exec. Comm. will go to DC to see FHWA.
 - (GWV claims our sidewalk is not theirs.)
 - Gregg: A sound wall would send the sound down Willow St.
 - The County will make sure everyone pays up. An intergovernmental agreement must be in place before the project moves forward.
 - WHCA must push the city attorney to make sure the sound walls are installed first.
- Upcoming meeting: 20 Sept., Good Shepherd Episcopal Church on Dry Creek Rd., 4:30 – 7 pm.

2. I-25 Corridor Sub-area Plan: There will be a public meeting on 18 Sept, Innovation Pavilion, 6:30 pm.

3. C470 widening: There will be a public meeting on 9/26
- e. CenCON, Gregg
 - The City attorney made a presentation on the City's proposed deBrucing ballot issue.
 - The Sheriff's office spoke about their Drop it, Lock it, Stop it campaign that urges homeowners to close & lock their garage doors.
- f. Planning and Zoning Commission, Suhaka: nothing to report

VI. Old Business: discussed in other issues

VII. Upcoming Events

- a. Dumpster Days, Senn (not present)
 1. Electronics recycling
 - Suhaka brought forward information about a company that would attend our Dumpster Day and collect electronics for a fee. (See bottom of minutes). Board consensus is that it's too expensive for an unsure result. Poll the people at dumpster day about would you use it
 2. Budget: this will be discussed at the next Board meeting, 11 Oct.

VIII. New Business

- a. Community Garden
 - There will be a meeting on 2/13 with SSPRD. Possibly the 15 interested residents will be included with Board members.
 - All paperwork was submitted.
 - The GID can pay for: tap, irrigation, fencing, and planting boxes.
 - It was briefly discussed to have a community event for putting the planting box-es together
 - Because our garden area is in a flood plain, nothing can be permanent or solid walls.
 - SSPRD: we can't modify the hill
 - People submitting interest forms

IX. Concerns from Residents

- Suhaka has gotten some resident concerns about the poor condition of Uinta St. The City informed her that the street was in poor condition and would need to be repaved. We won't know until the City's paving plan for 2013 is created, if we're included.
- Garcia has received some complaints about a car on Davies Ave. that hasn't moved in months. It needs to be reported to the Sheriff's Office.
- Gregg has received complaints about the Balance Point sign at Briarwood & Yosemite & signs for some other businesses, which shine into bedrooms.

X. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea Suhaka.

Email from the recycling firm Luminous Recycling that could attend Dumpster Days to recycle electronics.

8/28/12

Andrea,

We can definitely do such an event for your neighborhood. There are no minimums on the number of items collected. Who is providing the container for the dumpster day as they may be one of our partners?

The way we structured that event was as such:

- \$500 event fee charged to the HOA
- \$0.10/lb credit (to the WHCA), to help offset the event fee, for all high-grade materials collected (computers, gaming systems, laptops, etc.)
- \$5 per monitor charged to residents
- \$10 per TV charged to residents

If I recall correctly, the total fee to the HOA (Heritage Greens) was \$350-\$400 each year for two years running now after the credits back from high grade materials.

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