

# Walnut Hills Civic Association

## MINUTES

13 August 2009

- I. Call to order 7:04
- II. Attendance (Five members constitute a quorum.)

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| X | Rapp (1)  | X | Holter (8)    |
| X | Suhaka (2)  | X | Brennan (9)   |
| X | Pankau (AL-3)                                       | X | Gania (AL-10) |
| X | Haskett (4)   | X | Brew (11)     |
| X | Greyson (5)   | X | Hillman (12)  |
| — | Jose (6)  | X | Tippets (13)  |
| — | Vacant (7)  | — | Marsicek (14) |
| X | GID: Maggie Haskett                                 | — | Senn (15)     |
| X | Guests: Hweb & Vionnie Engler, Bob & Norma Wagstaff |   |               |
- III. Third Place Award in Landscape Contest, Herb & Vonnie Engler. Received their \$50 prize and picture was taken for the *Newsletter*.
- IV. Special Item: Walnut Hills Signs, F. Haskett/Guest: Susie Ellis
  - F. Haskett distributed a written report on costs of original heavy duty WH event signs
  - S. Ellis confirmed that even if we put pipes in the ground for signs in the rights-of-way, our signs are still illegal
  - Pankau suggested attaching our event signs in some way to the Walnut Hills monument signs.
  - Ellis told us that City Council will hear a discussion about allowing signage in the rights-of-way for a specific time period, i.e., Thurs. – Sun., which would still be problematic for us.
  - Pushed the rest of this discussion in the GID report slot.
- V. GID
  - A. Approval of bills, M. Haskett
    - A motion was made, seconded and passed unimously to approve bills of: \$ 400 for M.Haskett, \$400 for G.Jaeger, and \$ 686.57 for Emerald Isle: Tippets/Greyson.
  - B. Report from GID 5 Year Plan Committee, Hillman
    - Hillman distributed a written budget for 2009-10 and for the next 10 years. As 2009-10 were together, Suhaka requested that she separate out 2009 from 2010, the budget fiscal year is a calendar year. Hillman will bring that to the next meeting.
    - **Greyson presented three proposals for new Walnut Hills monument signs, bids he had received. The board discussed the proposals and preferred the design from DaVinci for \$23,147 to put an aluminum face on our current signs.**
    - **A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to move forward with the the aluminun sign asking the company to suggest a way to incorporate our neighborhood event signs into the new signs: Tippets/F.Haskett.**

- After discussion the board directed Greyson to talk with Mike Connor, at the City, about the need to put our monument signs out for bid because of the cost. Greyson will report back next meeting.
- A logo contest was suggested for a Walnut Hills logo for the signs, no resolution on that issue.

VI. Correction and Approval of Minutes of 9 July, Brew.

- A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the 9 July board meeting as emailed: Tippets/Gania.

VII. Committee Reports

A. Treasurer's report/Membership Report, Holter.

- Holter distributed a written Finance Report.
- Current membership stands at 539 which is more than last year's.
- Checks WHCA had written for money received from Rodriguez as restitution to the WHCA-GID were never cashed and Holter has received two more checks. Holter will write a new check and Greyson will deliver when he meets with M. Connor.
- Suhaka requested that Holter create a WHCA budget for the 2009/10 membership year for the next meeting.

B. WHCA code enforcement report, Brennan.

- Susie Ellis announced that the City Council would hear feedback on the Code Enforcement survey and possible revisions on September 14.
- Brennan expressed concern about the promptness of code enforcement feedback and interpretation of the law. Ellis told us that Code enforcement is for general public concerns not concerns between neighbors.
- Ellis cannot legally run license plates to see if cars backed into their driveways are registered (even if it's a problem vehicle).

C. Web update, Greyson.

- Greyson reported that he had a link to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade and Ice Cream Social pictures taken by Scott Holter up on our web site.

D. Report from the Chair, Suhaka

- CenCON and the City are sponsoring a Code Enforcement workshop on Tues., 25 August, 7 pm.

VIII. Old Business

A. Dumpster Day, 17 October, Senn not present.

B. Snow shoveling program, Tippets received three positive responses to his emails re. snow shoveling and requested that Suhaka pass on the list of people requesting help.

IX. New Business

- Code Enforcement mtg (9/14) Study Session
- Hillman suggested WHCA sponsor a shred-a-thon, for future discussion
- Pankau suggested a WHCA cook-out in the park, for future discussion
- F. Haskett reported a prowler on his front porch last night.
- Pankau reported that two trees in WH Park were set ablaze.
- ?? suggested WHCA sponsor a movie in the park at our amphitheater, for future discussion

X. Adjourn: 9:06

Respectfully submitted: Beth Rapp

Action Items:

- Greyson to meet with Mike Connor at the City
- Hillman to separate 2009 from 2010 in the GID budget plan.
- Holter to create general WHCA budgets, 2009 & 2010
- Suhaka to pass along snow shovelling requests