

WARD PARKWAY HOMES ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 5, 2013

At Ward Parkway Presbyterian Church

Present were President Frank Haar, Vice President Alison Baker, Treasurer Gaye Tillotson, Secretary Jon Rand, board members Maureen Hardy, Laura Lavalley and Dennis Young, WPHA attorney Aaron Schwartz, and Tom Hogan.

Mr. Haar called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

The October minutes were approved.

Mr. Schwartz reported on the history of the WPHA charter and its renewal.

Mr. Haar proposed the incumbent officers be elected for another year. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Articles 3.02 and 3.03 of the bylaws, which establish rules for WPHA membership, were discussed. It was suggested that these articles be edited to specifically address the status of people who may own WPHA homes yet reside outside WPHA boundaries. Mr. Schwartz said he would review the bylaws governing membership and let the board know if such amending is needed.

Ms. Tillotson reported that we have received about \$11,000 in dues, a decrease of about \$2,000 from the same time the previous year.

Mr. Haar reviewed actual spending, item by item, during the previous fiscal year, which ended Sept. 30, 2013. He also proposed spending for each item during 2013-2014.

The total proposed budget was \$25,388, about \$3,000 more than the total of dues collected. The WPHA bank balance will cover the shortfall.

Mr. Hogan was named to represent the Board in meetings involving the proposed streetcar routes. He recounted his past involvement with similar

proposals to use the Country Club right of way. It was agreed that Mr. Hogan would report back to the board on any future developments concerning the streetcars.

Mr. Haar proposed offering a WPHA grant to an organization that helps the children of seasonal farm workers in the Missouri towns of Lexington and Waverly. Several members questioned whether it was appropriate to use homeowners' dues to aid an organization outside WPHA boundaries.

It was suggested that instead the WPHA board might post information about this organization, and how to donate, on eNeighbors.

The officers signed a copy of the revised bylaws.

The schedule was set for the Board progressive dinner on January 25. It was decided to begin at 5 p.m. at the Hardy home.

Ms. Baker reported that Christmas caroling is set for Sunday, December 15.

It was agreed to publish the next newsletter before spring events and get it delivered in early March.

Ms. Hardy asked whether any action has been taken on several recent garage break-ins. Mr. Haar said he has contacted the WPHA security patrol and Kansas City Police Department and asked for patrols during times when it is suspected thieves are casing the neighborhood.

Mr. Haar adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m.