

WARD PARKWAY HOMES ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING APRIL 7, 2015

at Ward Parkway Presbyterian Church

Present: President Frank Haar, Vice President Alison Baker, Treasurer Gaye Tillotson, Secretary Jon Rand, Laura Lynch, Maureen Hardy, Aaron Schwartz, Julie Wittman, and Dennis Young.

Mr. Haar called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

March minutes were unanimously approved.

Mr. Haar reminded Ms. Tillotson to work on obtaining insurance for the Fourth of July picnic so we could request a permit for use of Hale Cook School. Mr. Haar reported having Sluggerr booked for noon, and Ms. Hardy said she would call the Fire Dept. to provide a truck. Mr. Rand said he would pick up brisket, side dishes and ice.

Mr. Rand reported the Easter Egg Hunt was successful and that our volunteers, Rachel and Brian Mason, did an exceptional job coordinating the event.

Ms. Hardy discussed Kansas City's proposed noise ordinance and thought it was a good approach that could be applied to some of the bars in Waldo still allowing excessive noise that can be heard in nearby homes.

Ms. Hardy said that neighborhood garage sales were set for May 15-16.

Mr. Rand, Ms. Wittman and Ms. Lynch agreed to hold a planning meeting for the Garden Tour in June on April 22 at 6 p.m.

Ms. Lynch and Ms. Wittman updated their progress on re-launching the website.

Mr. Rand said summer newsletter would be distributed in late May or early June.

Mr. Haar said Det. Brent Parsons, our security patrol director, indicated that the extra security shift has not been effective in addressing the recent crime in our neighborhood. It was agreed to discontinue the extra shift.

Mr. Schwartz suggested removing old and rusted Neighborhood Watch signs. He said he would look into the process of removing them.

Ms. Tillotson reported a bank balance of \$43,426.05. Our current dues total is \$11,900 representing 337 homes. Security dues total is \$11,770, representing 239 homes. She added that 40 homes are paying to receive newsletters by mail.

Ms. Baker said we have reserved the room at District Pour House for Neighborhood Night Out, April 18, from 5-8 p.m. She said the food order has been placed and that plenty of prizes have been obtained.

Ms. Baker said there have been no requests for new corner urns. Ms. Tillotson reported paying a \$280 bill to Mike Allmon for beautification. Ms. Baker reported that a tree planted at 75th and Belleview is growing and appears healthy.

Mr. Schwartz said research showed WPHA has no legal recorded rights to common areas where urns are placed. He added that he would continue to research this issue.

Mr. Schwartz asked whether there was any legal paperwork for the WPHA that has been passed down to our present officers over the years. Ms. Tillotson said she had some documents that she would pass on to him.

The July progressive dinner was discussed. It was agreed to set a date at the May meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.