

WPHA MONTHLY BOARD MEETING, JUNE 7, 2016

at Ward Parkway Presbyterian Church

Present: President Frank Haar, Vice President Alison Baker, Treasurer Gaye Tillotson, Secretary Jon Rand, board members Carol Gould, Maureen Hardy and Aaron Schwartz and guest Justin Cottrell.

Meeting began at 7:33 p.m.

Mr. Cottrell, a resident of W. 72nd Street, seeks to ask the city to take measures for slowing fast and dangerous traffic on his street for two blocks east of Ward Parkway. He said he was advised to speak with his homes association first and the board agreed it would acknowledge that he had done so.

Ms. Tillotson reported a bank balance of \$37,681.98. She also said our annual fee of \$995 was due at the end of June for eNeighbors. Ms. Wittman questioned whether we still need that site in light of access to nextdoor.com, a similar site that is free and has roughly as many WPHA followers as eNeighbors. Ms. Wittman was asked to answer some questions about nextdoor.com and said she would email the findings to the rest of the board, which would then vote on whether to renew eNeighbors.

Assignments for the Fourth of July picnic, as discussed at the May meeting, were reviewed. Ms. Baker said she would continue to seek a face painter and Mr. Rand said he would ask Laura Lynch if she could play her guitar. Ms. Wittman announced that her flyer was ready for copying and suggested it be distributed the week of June 20. Mr. Rand said he would take care of the copying and distribution.

Mr. Schwartz proposed a bylaw addition to meet the request of the insurance company that will issue a policy covering board members. The addition concerns the unlikely process of a board dissolution and how remaining funds would be handled. It was voted to earmark them for the Harvesters food pantry.

Ms. Hardy reported that turnout for the garage sales had been disappointing and some suggestions were made about how to make them more customer-friendly. It was agreed the low turnout did not justify holding the sales again in the fall, as had been briefly discussed.

Mr. Rand reported that the Easter Egg Hunt in March had been a success, despite poor weather that delayed it a week. The hosts, Brian and Rachel Mason, said they would continue organizing the event.

Mr. Rand said the summer newsletter would be ready for mailing by Ms. Hardy on June 15.

Ms. Baker updated the board on plans for the upcoming membership drive, which will start with renewal letters going out in early August. Ms. Tillotson indicated she was close to an agreement with Bank of America to process membership payments on Pay Pal. It was agreed that members using Pay Pal will pay a service fee to cover the added expense.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.