

MPNO Meeting – Minutes 10/8/14

Present: Officers Natalie Molnar, Ellen Gallavan, and David Potts; 5 neighbors

September meeting minutes approved

Officer reports:

- **President report** – neighbors complained of trees not trimmed; Natalie reported concerns to the BWL/forestry. There will be no regularly scheduled trimming for 3-5 years in neighborhoods already done. Problems can be called to the BWL.
- VP Amy is at the city Parks board meeting, which is discussing the Moores Park Pool.
- The MPNO website meeting was held at Paul John's house on Oct. 2 at 6:30pm. Those in attendance – Natalie, Amy V., Ellen and Matthias Bell were given access to the website.
- **Treasurer report** – Lisa was reimbursed for the picnic table in the community garden. (\$58.75 from the BWL, the rest from garden funds).
- Dorothy Jones made a donation of \$20.

Public Safety:

- Officer Johnson was present and reported that our neighborhood was getting a CPO (community police officer) within 30 days. CPOs only respond to neighborhood calls unless there is a serious emergency elsewhere. Officers apply for the CPO slot, are interviewed, then selected. They usually work 1-9pm M-F. The appointment normally lasts at least 2 years. Our neighborhood is a new area for CPOs. Tom, from PSO, has offered a room in the building for any officer to use for breaks and/or report writing.
- PSO – bushes in front of the building have been removed. Some permanent staff will start in mid-November. There are now 14 250-watt LEDs on the north side, with more to come. PSO will put up a chain link fence on the north and south sides. The building has updates inside and out; trees have been trimmed.
- The next neighborhood watch meeting is 9/15 at 6:30pm

New Business:

- Bylaws – the 2nd draft of the bylaws was approved. Matthias Bell stated that there were no major changes from the first draft. The bylaws were enacted to provide vision and direction.
- Committees – They are to be flexible; created and changed as the neighborhood needs. Tech subcommittee – see President’s report. New committee? – Natalie proposed a “crime and safety” committee to act as liaison between MPNO and neighborhood watch. The executive committee may meet to determine who will chair each committee (events, communication, beautification)
- 2015 grants proposals – due Nov. 20. Can apply for 2 grants up to \$650 each. Can apply for 2 additional, total of \$1,300 each. Susan Dougherty is on the Mayor’s grant review committee. Andy Eagle wants neighborhood watch signs. Natalie wants “welcome” signs. She has gotten quotes from 2 sign companies. We might be able to match the grant. 1st grant – signs. No suggestions were verbalized for the 2nd grant. Susan said the Mayor’s committees need members. Call Joe McDonald.
- Moores Park Pool – Amy and Paul Johns are attending the board meeting. The city wants to close the pool due to increasing costs and decreasing attendance. The city may pass pool decisions to the Parks board.

Meeting adjourned