

**HDNA Monthly Board Meeting
December 2, 2015**

Board Members Present:

Malinda Durbin, Jay Douds, Brandt Ford, Barbara Ford, Barbara Dorf, Shelley Piquard, Bob Harlow, Erik Siegel, Muriel Handmaker, Ed Flynn, Valarie DeSalvo, Sherry Cornell, Joshua White

Board Members Absent:

Jordan Davis

Fifth District Police Liaison Report:

Presented by Officer Kevin Mumphrey

There was a home burglary on Wrocklage. The home was unlocked. There were two car burglaries one on Talbot and the other on Park Boundary. One car was unlocked and the other had a hidden key. Officer Mumphrey urges us to lock our doors and file reports. There was a broken windshield on Spring.

Eighth District Metro Council Report:

Presented by Councilman Tom Owen

- The owner of a home on Carolina has been contacted regarding his vehicle blocking the sidewalk.
- The sidewalk at Millvale and Douglass has been repaired.
- The audible crossing signal at Bardstown and Dorothy is to be repaired.
- There is a meeting next week regarding the streetscape on Bardstown.
- Please, report broken street lights.
- Public Works is meeting regarding a sidewalk repair program. Shaving the raised edge at a sidewalk joint saves money. This is currently being done in the central business district only, but enlarging it to include neighborhoods is being considered.
- Current cell towers can't handle data requirements so mini-cell towers are being placed in neighborhoods a quarter-mile from each other. Fibertech was approved but earlier companies have put 30' poles in right of way up to 8' into front yards in Belknap. A second operator is being asked to use existing poles for antenna in order to be the required 13' away from "hot wires".

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: To approve the minutes for November 4, 2015.

Vote: Motion carried

Resolved: Minutes from the HDNA Board Meeting held on November 4, 2016 approved without modification.

Treasurer's Report:

Presented by Treasurer, **Brandt Ford**

Report was reviewed and approved. Report to accompany minutes.

Events Committee Report:

Presented by ***Malinda Durbin***

- Preparations for the Annual Meeting are being made including: ballots, fliers, greeters, clean up, set up, and refreshments.
- The next Events meeting is TBA.

Membership Committee Report:

Presented by ***Ed Flynn***

- Membership Drive packet delivery is approximately 80% complete.
- In 2015 we had 150 paid members. We already have 85 paid for 2016.
- The next Membership meeting is December 7, 2015.

Safety Committee Report:

Presented by Chair, ***Joshua White***

- There is graffiti on Big Rock.
- A primary offender named Two Buck was killed in an automobile accident in another country recently.
- There has been an increase in car break ins recently primarily involving unlocked cars.

Beautification Committee Report:

Presented by Chair, ***Shelley Piquard***

- Currently trying to procure a picnic table for Douglass Park.
- Filing for MSD reimbursement for 2015 and 2014 tree plantings.
- The Highlands-Douglass nursery has 26 trees. There are 13 Bald Cypresses that need to be planted in Spring 2016 or they will become root bound. Yellowwood and Birches are also available.

Communications Committee Report:

Presented by Chair, ***Erik Siegel***

- The cost for postcards for the Annual Meeting is \$45/1000. In order to mail them, a database of all Highlands-Douglass addresses is needed.
- A slider for the Annual Meeting has been added to the home page of the website.
- A Facebook announcement will be made prior to the Annual Meeting date.
- The newsletter should arrive December 3, 2015. 1600 copies were ordered. A goal of two issues a year has been set.
- The newsletter cost of \$740 this year has been attributed to using a different vendor and not having an envelope inserted.
- There were 19 ads in the newsletter which should more than cover the printing cost.
- Business membership decal designs are available for review.
- Binders are being assembled for new board members.

Save Our Center Report:

Presented by Chair, *Sherry Cornell*

- An OSHA report and structural analysis are currently being compiled for the Douglass Community Center. The evaluation will cost approximately \$50,000 of the \$250,000 allocated by Metro Council. This usage was approved by Councilman Tom Owen.
- The committee is considering having a structural analysis done by a private source.
- The fundraiser hosted by St. Andrews Episcopal Church was a success. We are awaiting the total donation amount.
- Preservation efforts are being evaluated for feasibility.

New Business:

- Plans for the HDNA Planning Retreat are underway.
- The retreat will run from 9:00a until 5:00p.
- Possible locations include the Douglass Community Center and area churches.

The meeting was adjourned.