

HDNA Board Meeting/March 2, 2016

Attendees

Malinda Durbin, Bob Harlow, Joshua White, Erik Siegel, Debbie McLachlan, Shelley Piquard, Barbara Berman, Barbara Ford, Angus McLachlan, Ed Flynn, DG Mawn, Muriel Handmaker, Valarie DeSalvo, Jay Douds, Brandt Ford, Sherry Cornell

Fifth Division Police Liaison Report:

Presented by Officer Kevin Mumphrey

- Burglary from an unlocked garage on Kenilworth.
- Thefts from unlocked vehicles on Kaelin, Wrocklage and Weber.
- LMPD is following leads on the February robberies on Bardstown Road.

Eighth District Metro Council Report:

Presented by Councilman Tom Owen

- The councilman will be meeting with Major Parks on April 12.
- March's Talk with Tom will be at Safai Coffee, 9-11a.
- Upcoming events including the St. Patrick's Day parade, a marathon, and another run will affect traffic.
- Councilman Owen's annual bike ride and Front Porch Tuesdays are TBA.
- MSD and Adath Jeshurun are working on drainage issues for which Tom Owen allocated \$10,000 in funds.
- From the Director of Parks, Tom has received confirmation that AIR is moving to Berrytown on 4/11/16. There is no intent to close the DCC barring a red flag from the structural analysis or follow up mold studies.

Guests:

Sarah Wolf from Olmstead Parks and District 8 Metro Council candidate Stephen Reily.

Motions:

To admit Anne Glosky to the HDNA Board - approved with one abstention.

To approve the minutes from the Annual Meeting, 1/24/16 - passed with one abstention.

To approve the minutes from the February Board Meeting, 2/3/16 - passed unanimously.

To approve the Treasurer's Report - passed unanimously.

To approve the purchase of Quick Books - passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Vice President Brandt Ford presented retreat survey results as follows - more focus on annual planning and organization, outside facilitator, separate training session for computer work, beginning and ending on time. Overall the retreat was seen as a worthwhile effort.

President Malinda Durbin announced that plans for a District 8 Metro Council Roundtable were underway. The event is to take place on April 17, 2016 from 2-3:30p.

Committee Reports:

Beautification

Presented by Chair, Shelley Piquard

- A rose garden clean up is tentatively scheduled for 3/19/16. Guest, Ed Fallon offered the services of his landscapers to do trimming and mulching.
- The Passport Brightside clean up is 4/16/16 at 10a.
- Joshua White reported that a trip to Woody's is planned with other neighborhoods, and there will be a tree giveaway at Atherton and Assumption.
- The pillars at the entrances to Highlands-Douglass are in need of tuckpointing. Three quotes will be obtained.

Communications

Presented by Chair, Erik Siegel

- The HDNA domain has been renewed and Web.com will be renewed as host.
- The website has gotten 256 views.
- The newsletter will be ready for delivery following Derby.
- Committee chairs are asked to submit their committee reports and can use the opportunity to promote future endeavors.
- The newsletter will be 12 pages and ad space will be limited, therefore the ad rates may be increased.
- A motion to include board member bios in the newsletter passed with three abstentions, Barbara Ford, DG Mawn, and Muriel Handmaker who objected for privacy issues. An option for including an icon instead of a picture and a quote or non-identifying phrase instead of a bio were discussed. The bios are to be sent to Erik Siegel.
- The next Communications meeting will be 3/15/16 at Safai, 6:30p. The committee will be previewing and discussing t-shirts.
- A motion not to allow political ads in the newsletter was approved with Joshua White and Barbara Berman abstaining owing to their current involvement in campaigning.

Events

Presented by Chair, Debbie McLachlan

- A budget of \$3,500 dollars was submitted and approved by a majority with one vote against due to the purchase of alcohol with HDNA funds.
- The next Events meeting will be March 24 at the home of the chair, 6:30p.

Membership

Presented by Chair, Muriel Handmaker

- Thank you notes are being written to members who made a donation above their dues.
- The committee is notifying the chairs of other committees regarding new members who express interest in specific areas.
- Emails are being sent out to non-renewed members from 2015.
- The committee is working with Communications on business memberships and organizing their outreach efforts.
- A budget of \$300 was approved with one abstention.
- The next Membership meeting will be held on 3/7/16 at the home of the chair, 6:30p.

Safety

Presented by Chair, Joshua White

- Graffiti abatement efforts, committee meetings, and budget submission are postponed until after May 17 due to the chair's election campaign.
- Damaged trash cans have been marked with information regarding replacement.

New Business:

- President Malinda Durbin asserted that member contact information including email addresses is to be kept private.
- The next HDNA Board meeting will be April 6, 2016 at the Douglass Community Center, 6:30p.
- The formal meeting was adjourned at 8:10p, and a meeting for board members only followed.

Special Meeting:

Presented by SOC Chair, Sherry Cornell

- A history of the HDNA's interactions with Parks regarding the Douglass Community Center and the subsequent formation of the ad hoc committee, Save Our Center were presented.
- Current actions on the part of Metro Parks and its director, including a public "exaggeration" of mold levels, indicate a continued intention to ignore our efforts to

secure the future of the center and pursue their own agenda which has not been made known to the HDNA.

- A lively discussion followed the report with many ideas discussed including writing a letter to the mayor and writing a letter to Metro Council.
- The meeting was interrupted by DCC staff due to the late hour, but two motions were put forward.
 - To continue to support the efforts of the SOC with 24 hours notice and opportunity to reply before any public actions are taken. - Passed with one opposed.
 - To pursue local landmark designation. - Passed with two abstentions.