# **Walnut Hills Civic Association Board**

14 April 2016; 7 PM Metrum Credit Union

# **Minutes**

- Ι. Call to order: Chair Suhaka called the meeting to order at 7:20pm.
- II. Attendance (Five members constitute a quorum.)

| <u>X</u> | Lutton, Randy (1)    |          | Fazal, Abbas (8)       |
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| <u>X</u> | Suhaka, Andrea (2)   |          | Vacant (9)             |
|          | Vacant (3)           | <u>X</u> | Pole, Traci (10) ??    |
| <u>X</u> | Garcia, Myra (4)     |          | Compton, Joe (11)      |
| <u>X</u> | Senn, Donna (5)      | Ex       | Bern, Bern (12)        |
| <u>X</u> | Gamec, Julie (6)     | <u>X</u> | Tippets, Jeryl (13)    |
|          | Vacant (7)           | <u>X</u> | Danfelser, Monica (14) |
| Χ        | GID: Haskett, Maggie | <u>X</u> | Marsicek, Julie (15)   |
| 1        | Guests: John Fuller  |          |                        |

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- III. Correction and Approval of Minutes of 10 March 2016
  - Minutes weren't available and will be addressed at April meeting.

# IV. Invited Guest

John Fuller, Walnut Hills Scholarship Committee, addressed the Board about this year's scholarships. Lutton said the Membership campaign has collected \$6200 for the Scholarship and was prepared to give Fuller a check tonight. Also, Fuller wanted to discuss the Board's Scholarship donation. We came back to that in the Treasurer's part of the meeting.

#### ٧. GID, Maggie Haskett

- A. Approval of Bills
  - Haskett presented the only bills she had for this month: her monthly stipend of \$500 and \$50.93 for materials purchased.
  - A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the GID bills of \$550.93 for April. (Garcia/Tippets)
- B. Projects: We briefly discussed the painting of the Quebec wall. That should start this month. The contract was accepted by the City and signed.
- C. Arapahoe/I25 project. The soundwall part of the project probably won't start until Sept.
  - Irises & day lilies are still available for the taking from Arapahoe Rd.
- D. Other: none

# VI. Committee Reports

- A. Treasurer's Report, Lutton
  - Lutton discussed the Treasurer's Report he distributed. There followed discussion on WHCA spending.
    - o This past year, our Dumpster Days cost over \$5,000. Several members suggested that we space out electronic recycling to every 2 or 3 years. There was consensus on this. We'll see how popular this October's Electronic Recycling is and then decide on the spacing for future ones.
    - o The Walnut Hills Scholarship Fund was discussed. Gamec made a motion to support 1 scholarship this year, \$2,500. This was seconded and passed unanimously. (Gamec/Tippets) A picture was taken of Lutton handing Fuller the scholarship check.

- Suhaka submitted a bill for \$181, having already paid for SSPRD park rental for our events this year. A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to reimburse Suhaka. (Senn/Pole). Suhaka commented that we had never paid to use our neighborhood parks before.
- Expenses for the Easter Egg Hunt were discussed and Gamec would like to have some money buy supplies now, before next year. A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to allow Gamec up to \$100. (Gamec/Tippets)
- Suhaka reported that we still haven't received the bill for the Egg Hunt signs. The board members agreed we should not get any more signs this year and wait until next year for more. Suhaka requested up to \$300 to pay when the invoice does come in. A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve up to \$300 to pay for the Egg Hunt signs. (Senn/Tippets)
- Suhaka commented on how difficult it is to put the old signs together. Tippets volunteer to construct the signs for upcoming events.

# B. Membership

- Suhaka reported that we have 406 paid members for this membership year. 26 property owners have paid and 4 renters. (For 2 residences, the owner and the renter have paid.)
- There was a brief discussion on ways to save money on mailing the membership form. Possibly email membership form way ahead and then mail the ones that haven't pad by Feb.
- Board members Bern, Compton, Danfelser, Fazal and Suhaka still owe dues.
- C. Website, Lutton
  - Everything is up to date

# VII. Old Business: None

# VIII. Upcoming Events

- A. Easter Egg Hunt, 4/23/16
  - Volunteers: The event is ready to go for the 23 April date.
- B. Dumpster Days, 5/14 & 21
  - Volunteer: Julie Gamec
  - Suhaka will provide the database to Lutton before she leaves town in May. Lutton will continue to check the PO box and mark the people who pay on the print out for Senn.
- C. Garage Sale, 6/3 & 4
  - Garcia would like to give up this event, in favor of maintaining National Night Out. Pole volunteered to take this on. The job is putting event advertising everywhere possible.
  - A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to allow Pole up a \$100 budget to pay for the advertising. (Gamec/Tippets)
- D. National Night Out/Walnut Hills Block Party
  - Garcia will be out of country for NNO and will need a backup for that night.
  - It was suggested to add a pickle ball demo to the disk golf this year.
  - Marsicek kept a running list of supplies needed for NNO: gloves, more hot dogs, plain chips, forks, more cookies, wipes for hands, garbage cans. In the advertising for the event, remind folks to bring chairs & blankets. Possibly we can add a "trade fair" to the event.
  - Garcia has already talked to Bill Donnelly of the Juice o' the Barley band. He is willing to play that night. She will lock that in.
  - Many comments were made by participants about how good the BBQ was for the
    event supper. Garcia will speak to Bono's BBQ about the discount they gave us last
    year. If they won't honor that, we can also check at Bennett's on Arapahoe Rd.

• A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously to approve a budget of \$1,500 for the event. (Tippets/Danfelser)

# IX. New Business:

#### A. Other

- There will be a public open house for the proposed Briarwood/Willow parking lot on 4/19, 6-7pm at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church. This is for the site plan for the lot. It has already been posted on the WHCA website, blasted in e-mail, and put on Next-Door.
- Speeding on Uinta has come up again. The WHCA has no responsibility for dealing
  with speeding, and we've previously taken action to request City help. No solution
  has been forthcoming. We've tried several times. Individuals may call the Arapahoe
  County Sheriff's Office (303-795-4711) to request the speed trailer be put out or for a
  deputy to do traffic control.
- With the upcoming Arapahoe/I25 project we will be getting much more cut through traffic as people explore ways to get around blocked streets. We realize that we already have a problem with cut-though traffic. Again, we've spoken to the City for some relief and a traffic traffic study was done indicating that we don't factually have the problem we're perceiving.

# B. Board Elections

- Suhaka would like to step down as Chair. It's becoming too much for her with her
  other responsibilities. No one present was interested in taking up the post. There
  followed a discussion on what board members can do to make her task easier.
  - Lutton will remain Treasurer
  - Pole volunteered to be Secretary
  - Gamec will remain Vice Chair
  - Tippets took on the job of making the signs.
  - o We'll how it goes from here.
- X. Adjourn: Suhaka adjourned the meeting at 9:28 pm.

Draft Minutes submitted by Andrea Suhaka.