

Walnut Hills Civic Association
BOARD MEETING
October 11, 2018, 7:00 PM, Metrum Credit Union

Minutes

1. Call to order: 7:02 pm
2. Attendance (Five members constitute a quorum.)

X	Lutton, Randy (1)	X	Brooks, Barb (8)
X	Danfelser, Monica (2)	X	Carrera, Ana (9)
X	Katich, Mike (3)	—	Vacant (10)
Ex	Garcia, Myra (4)	—	Vacant (11)
X	Senn, Donna (5)	X	Fischer, Carol (12)
X	Gamec, Julie (6, GID)	—	Vacant (13)
—	Vacant (7)	—	Vacant (14)
		—	Vacant (15)

Guests: Andrea Suhaka (Resident and GID representative); Jana Lutton (Resident)

3. Correction and Approval of Minutes: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to unanimously approve September meeting Minutes (Fischer, Katich).
4. GID, Gamec
 - A. Approval of Bills: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve GID bills totaling \$3415.29 (Senn, Carrera)
 - Julie: \$515.29 - \$500 monthly project manager, \$15.29 4th of July decorations clearance purchase for 2019
 - Matt: \$300
 - High Altitude Landscaping: \$2600
 - B. Projects: No new projects. Continue ongoing fence maintenance. Landscaping contract ends November. Probably renew for next year. WH sign at Arapahoe & Uinta: work started last week to elevate sign to 5 feet height. Irrigation system: unsure who is responsible, CDOT not returning Julie's calls. Will arrange for Taylor to do fall sprinkler blow out/shut off.
5. Committee Reports:
 - A. Treasurer's Report, Lutton: Financial reports as of 9/30/18 distributed.
 - B. Website, Lutton: Up to date
 - C. Membership Report, Lutton: 382 active (paid) members to date.
 - Welcome Wagon, Carrera: Realtor Mark Trenka supplied list of homes sold May-August 2018. Hand written notes were sent out to new home owners welcoming them to Walnut Hills and inviting them to join the WHCA as active members. (Randy: Some new memberships from new owners.) Campaign will be repeated in November with new home sales from September-October, and quarterly going forward. Donna obtained 3 gift card donations from My Favorite Muffin to include in future mailings.
 - D. Report from the Chair, Gamec:
 - o New Events: Ting has expressed interest in sponsoring an event.

- “Beer Night”: Julie will schedule a date in January or February with Resolute Brewing and ask Ting if would sponsor.
 - Adults /Seniors: Paula Hillman (Centennial Seniors’ Commission) – has contact with CSU Extension working in partnership with Xcel Energy for possible informational event regarding home improvements for energy optimization/savings. Possible venue The Egg and I, Julie will inquire.
 - Insurance Renewal: A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed to approve renewal and payment \$608. (Fischer, Danfelser) Discussed researching new quotes for combining both insurance policies next year.
 - Metrum Credit Union holding networking event for Civic Associations on October 24, extended invitation to WHCA volunteers. Please RSVP.
 - City of Centennial Planning: Andrea Suhaka: City wants to start future redevelopment plans for area on Yosemite from Arapahoe Rd. to Alton Way, and is seeking participation and input from a diverse group of neighbors from Walnut Hills. Visionary plan for a “Town Center” development was drafted about 5 years ago, want more concrete planning at this time so it can be offered to any interested developer/s, possibly in stages, in the future. Currently 23 commercial property owners in this area, one of them may be interested in purchasing other properties for redevelopment. Julie and Donna will reach out to a few former board members who may be interested in participating.
 - Post office box is up for renewal with price increase. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved to renew and pay total \$214 for one year. (Carrera, Danfelser)
 - Due to upcoming postage increase, should stock up on “Forever” stamps to avoid cost increase for 2019 membership drive. Motion was made, seconded, and approved to purchase postage stamps in advance. (Senn, Fischer)
 - Discussed newsletter article by Frank Haskett regarding neighborhood traffic issues. Julie will initiate process to get on City’s list for a new traffic study to see if we now qualify for traffic calming devices. Speed bumps would probably not be approved, as we know that the few that existed many years ago were removed per Fire Department directive. Carol: perhaps city can provide signs for drivers to slow down?
6. 501 (c) 4 update, Lutton: Received letter of determination from IRS confirming that WHCA’s tax exempt 501 (c) 4 status has been reinstated, retroactive to 2010, with instructions to file a Form 990-N return or E-postcard annually.
 7. 2017 Tax return: CPA has delivered draft of return. Randy will review amounts on return to make sure they are correct before we approve for filing.
 8. By-laws Timeline and Comments: Draft of amended by-laws is posted on website and community was notified via newsletter with invitation to review and comment. No comments as of yet. Julie will write another article for newsletter reminding neighbors. Plan to ratify amended by-laws at March Annual Meeting. Discussed putting together a “Procedures Manual” in calendar format specifying due dates/deadlines for continued compliance with licenses, taxes, and insurance. Ana will write up a draft to review at next meeting.

9. Old Business:
 - o NNO – Ratify approval payment of reimbursement to Myra for extra expenses totaling \$111.25, previously approved via email. Unanimously approved.
 - o Halloween signs – Ratify approval payment of bill for new Halloween event signs totaling \$150.71, previously approved via email. Unanimously approved.

10. Upcoming Events:
 - A. Fall Dumpster Days and Electronics Recycling, Senn: All is set for event: 2 garbage trucks, Blue Star electronics recycling, metal scrap Brookie & Dawood. There will be one combined line for all drop-offs. Garbage Man asks for same day payment. Motion was made, seconded, and approved for check payment total \$900 and \$100 cash tip for drivers. (Senn, Danfelser)
 - B. Halloween Party, Danfelser/Brooks/Carrera: Most supplies have been purchased, and receipts will be turned in for reimbursement at next meeting. Walnut Hills School has included information about event in their email newsletters to parents. New signs are ready to put up the week before event, and one will be used to advertise at Dumpster Day. Need to create event and advertise on Next Door. If event needs to be cancelled due to inclement weather, will notify Randy to put up notice on website. Carol and Mike volunteered to help at event.

11. Neighborhood concerns/questions:

Julie received one comment in response to newsletter article about NNO: Frank Haskett expressed preference that event be held on a weeknight instead of weekend. Frank also interested in Beer Night event.

Uinta Street – only one side of street between Arapahoe and Briarwood Blvd. has been repaved, and same with portion of Willow Street. Julie will check with City.

Donna – any information regarding petition about automobile dealerships ordinance?

Andrea: petition had sufficient signatures and City Clerk Barb Setterlind is currently verifying the signatures. City Council will vote the first week of November whether to hold special election in the spring or repeal ordinance.

Donna – Would South Suburban consider relocating disc-golf course that is closing at County Line and Holly to Walnut Hills? Julie: probably not, as our park doesn't have enough linear space for a full course.

Old United Artists Movie Theater on Arapahoe Rd.: No information as to whether will reopen or any plans for that space.

12. Adjourn: 8:42 pm