



# Historic Water Tower Neighborhood

**Wednesday, January 10, 2018 ~ 7:00-8:30 p.m.**  
**Historic Water Tower Neighborhood Monthly Meeting**  
**Lake Park Pavilion's Marcia Coles Community Room**

## **OFFICERS**

### **President**

Gina Spang

### **President Elect**

Toby Reynolds

### **VP Communications**

Joan Miller

### **VP Special Events**

Andrew Brusky

### **VP Membership**

Laurel Maney

### **Treasurer**

Bruce Thompson

### **Secretary**

Sarah Marie Streed

### **Past President**

Laurel Maney

## **TRUSTEES**

### **Area 1**

(LaFayette Pl. to North Ave.)

Linda Cutler

Laurel Maney

Joan Miller

Tiffany Tinsey

Stephanie Van Alyea Quirk

### **Area 2**

(North Ave. to Newberry Blvd.)

Jeff Bentoff

Andrew Brusky

Lloyd Dickinson

Angie Kvidera

Dawn McCarthy

Donna Neal

Sally Peltz

Toby Reynolds

Laura Shipley

### **Area 3**

(Newberry Blvd. to

Edgewood Ave.)

Derek Brewer

Richard Kimball

Roger Luhn

Sandra McSweeney

Gina Spang

Sarah Streed

Bruce Thompson

## **Meeting Minutes**

**Trustees Present:** Gina Spang, Toby Reynolds, Sarah Marie Streed, Joan Miller, Andrew Brusky, Laurel Maney, Jeff Bentoff, Angie Kvidera, Donna Neal, Roger Luhn, Sandra McSweeney

A quorum of trustees was present: Yes

## **Business Meeting**

1) Approval of minutes for November 1, 2017

Motion to approve by Laurel Motion seconded by Joan

2) Officer reports

- President by Gina Spang - First meeting of term. Introduced officers and committee chairs. Excited to kick off 2018

- Treasurer by Donna Neal for Bruce Thompson - Through end of December 2017: very healthy position. Donna will submit written report for the record

- Secretary: no report

3) Committee and Liaison reports

- Membership by Laurel Maney - Plan to publish membership directory at end of January. Membership is doing well.

- Communications by Joan Miller - There is a new liaison with North Point magazine. Discussion as to whether this is paid (yes) or non paid position. North Point is a good partner with HWTN and is very responsive to us.

- Special Events by Andrew Brusky - Volunteers needed for this years home garden parties. Mary Kelly volunteered to host in July or August. Open to ideas for social events. If members have new ideas or suggestions, please contact Andrew.

The first event for 2018 is in March at Pizza Man.

Feedback on the Holiday Party: venue was very nice, but placement of food stations and the bar affected traffic flow. If we set it up differently we can easily solve that problem. Also, we ran out of some selections of food. Need to discuss cost of the event as well as whether or not we should have people bring a dish to pass. There is some confusion when couples elect to bring a dish to pass (some bring one, some bring two). Also there are a lot of late RSVP's which makes it difficult to order the correct amount of food.

- Safety Committee: no report

- Buildings & Institutions by Laurel Maney - paid parking in all county parks is still under review by the County. HWTN wrote a letter outlining our position in December 2017. The County is/was considering a vendor to oversee the paid parking. This will reduce the amount of revenue that goes back to the County. Two upcoming meetings on this issue:

1. Jan 23, 9 am (Court House)
2. Jan 25, 5:30 (Gordon Park Pavilion) this was subsequently cancelled. Meeting rescheduled for February 6<sup>th</sup>

#### 4) New Business

Introduced new members: Christianne Camera—she's living in her family's home—her family is the fifth generation to live in the home. She saw HWTN on Facebook and thought she should join.

Gina wanted feedback on the meeting format: Discussion on whether meeting or speaker should be first—points for both sides. It was proposed that it varies—this was voted down. Members have expectations on when the business meeting will be conducted and they should be able to count on it. Majority of the group was in favor of having the business meetings first.

All agreed that meetings should start and stop on time.

#### Conclusion:

Business portion of the meeting will be first and conclude no later than 7:40 pm. Speaker/special presentation portion of the meeting will begin at 7:45 pm

We need trustees to attend meetings so that we have a quorum and can conduct necessary approvals, etc...

Gina and Toby will collectively follow up with trustees, try to get them to meetings

#### Organizational goals:

Gina is interested in identifying goals for our organization in 2018:

We did a quick whip around and asked everyone why they joined HWTN: most people joined for either social or historic preservation reasons. People also joined and attend meetings to get the latest info on what's going on in the neighborhood

Goals discussed: increase visibility of organization, increase number of families/younger members, increase number of members.

#### Homework:

1. If anyone has other suggestions on Goals for 2018, please bring them to the next meeting or email them to HWTN.
2. Gina will be reaching out to committee chairs and liaisons. If anyone has an interest in stepping down or becoming a committee chair or liaison, please let Gina know

Announcement: email from neighbor regarding car thefts: he had two cars stolen (running) from his driveway.

Program for February: Join us as Tom Kroeger, Lakeshore Park Manager, highlights the history, prairies and education programs along with an overview of all the exciting things happening at Lakeshore State Park in 2018!

5) Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Sarah; Motion seconded by Jeff