

Historic Water Tower Neighborhood

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(Newberry Blvd. to Edgewood Ave.) Derek Brewer Richard Kimball Roger Luhn Sandra McSweeney Gina Spang Sarah Streed Bruce Thompson

Wednesday, October 3, 2018 ~ 7:00-8:30 p.m. Historic Water Tower Neighborhood Monthly Meeting Lake Park Pavilion's Marcia Coles Community Room

Meeting Minutes

Business Meeting

Trustees Present: Linda Cutler, Andy Brusky, Richard Kimball, Dawn McCarthy, Gina Spang, Jeff Bentoff, Derick Brewer, Bruce Thompson, Sally Peltz

Trustees Absent: Lloyd Dickenson, Laurel Maney, Toby Reynolds, Laura Shipley, Sarah Streed, Stephanie Van Alyea Quirk, Joan Miller, Tiffany Tinsey, Angie Kvidera, Donna Neal, Roger Luhn, Sandra McSweeney

1) Officer reports

President by Gina Spang

Called to Order by HWTN President Gina Spang @ 7:07 PM.

Approval of the June & September Minutes: Minutes were held for approval due to failure of quorum.

2) Committee and Liaison reports

Communications by Joan Miller

Nothing to report this month.

Treasurer Report by Bruce Thompson

The fiscal year ended September 30th. Statements weren't available to prepare a report by October 3rd.

Special Events by Andrew Brusky

Andrew reported that there are 2 more parties. There has been good attendance at the parties this year. October 12th is at the Schmidt's from 6pm to 9pm. Please adhere to the schedule. The next party is on Sunday, November 4th from 3pm to 5pm. The location is not safe for children. This is an adult only party.

The Holiday Party is at Villa Terrace on December 7th. Adrian Zilleti is chairing the committee and needs a strong committee, so volunteers are welcome. The invitations for the party will include membership renewals.

The annual HWTN Happy Hour will be in March.

Membership Report by Gina Spang for Laurel Maney

Renewals are about half-way complete. Laurel would like to get wrapped up by the end of October. Membership is receiving recruitment packages. This is a good idea: a member gave a new neighbor a membership as a welcome gift.

Safety Report by Derek Brewer

Officer Kline was not available to attend the meeting. Derek will meet with Officer Kline for coffee to get an updated report. There have been car thefts and break-ins. Most are enabled by unlocked cars. Officer Scrott is on bicycle and is a full-time beat cop.

Downer Avenue BID report by Jeff Bentoff

The BID self-assesses to pay for street improvements such as street scaping, the Downer Bike Race, and Holiday Lights. New businesses being added to Downer are good. There has been interest in the Chancery Space but no deals yet. Breadsmith is being renovated. Optics is moving across the street. Landmark renewed a lease for 3 years. The merchants would like to have new bike racks on Downer. The speed limit on Downer may be reduced. There is no Yield Sign at Downer and Park, causing problems for pedestrians. Haunted Downer is October 20th.

Nominating Committee by Derek Brewer

The committee is still completing the slate for 2018. Since we do not have a quorum and since the slate is not yet complete, the slate will be included with the October meeting minutes and members can review prior to the November meeting. Officers and Trustees are elected by a vote for the slate at the Annual Member meeting on November.

Buildings and Institutions by Jeff Bentoff for Laurel Maney

The business on Lake & Woodstock has installed a sign that seems inappropriate for the Historic District. The previous business installed a similar sign. It was removed after a complaint to the Historic Preservation Commission. Gina sent this information to Amanda in Alderman Kovac's office.

3) New Business

Gina Spang announced that there is a planning meeting on October 9th for Water Tower Park and the fountain at the HGA office. Jim Shields will lead the planning process.

Milwaukee Film Festival will use the HWTN office space during the film festival. Gina discussed this with the Kenilworth landlord, who agreed. There is a Memorandum of Understanding about the use. We're glad to be helping out.

A suggestion was made that we have plaques for Historic Houses, similar to those in Shorewood. See attached link for more information:

https://www.jsonline.com/story/communities/northshore/news/shorewood/2018/08/07/shorewood-group-selling-sidewalk-plaques-fund-digital-news-archives/890858002/

The meeting adjourned at 7:49pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Dawn McCarthy in absence of HWTN Secretary Sarah Marie Streed

Evening Program - Guest Speakers

Budget Presentation by officials from Milwaukee County