

Browncroft Neighborhood Association

Board Members/Officers Attending:

President: Linda Siple	Vice Pres: Bob Scheidt	Secretary: Sandra Swanson	Treas: Robert McLoughlin
Elm District Rep: Jim	Corwin Dist Rep: Holly Petsos	Croydon Dist Rep: David Kaiser	
Nicholson			

Also: Sharon Bloemendaal; Anne Weintraub; Cassy Petsos; Joan Hopkins; Sara Cousins; Bob Genthner, Dede Ranger, Ann Kanthor.

Approval of minutes from 02/17/2016- Sandra Swanson

No changes; approved.

Treasurer's Report – Robert McLoughlin

New expense last month: Sycamore shelter for picnic reservation \$90.

Bob S. raised question Winter Gathering loss. 75 people is the minimum we are billed for, regardless of attendance. \$561 dollar loss (subsidy). Linda suggested we make phone calls to encourage attendance the week before. Also call new residents or make some special contact. Bob moved to accept, approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Membership update Robert Current membership 261 households out of 671 (39%).
- Aldi proposal and Zoning Update Holly Petsos

No news on the court case of 4 parties suing city, planning commission, Aldi etc. in an appeal of the court case decision. Case filed in October, latest docs filed in Jan. Judge reviews all testimony and docs. That is ongoing, no decision. Then Holly heard he had made a decision and was writing his report. She will keep calling but has not been informed. It's not unusual to take this long.

Zoning – Holly had problems on her street about a dumpster; a complaint about a large house with lots of traffic – concern that rooms are being rented illegally. Observes it's hard to do anything about it.

• Historic Street sign-post project – Linda

Michael Brendt went to NWV meeting to present the idea. NWV was very positive and they have a team working on a grant proposal for an approximate amount of \$25K from Rochester Community Foundation.

School 46 – Capital Improvements – Cassy

No updates, work will start (old windows being painted) when school is out. Also sash cord replacement, interior paint to be stripped (recent paint) to original varnish, new roof on kindergarten wing and tile roof repairs.

• Walking Tour – update Cassy, Shari and Linda

Cassy has draft; will be on 11x17" sheet folded in half and in thirds. Text to date will fit. Linda will send copies to the board and ask for feedback on contents.

Rose Garden

Cassy, Holly, Shari, Linda met with Sarah Scott, and the city Landscape architect about 2 Bosnian pines in the Rose Garden arrea. They are diseased and must be removed. Tree removal should be within 1 month, then we can replant with removed hostas, etc.

• Annual Meeting – Shari

Shari has a poster display to accompany her talk. Concerned about brightness of room. David Kaiser has a screen if needed. Shari will discuss with church. Holly will provide refreshments. NWV people are welcome to attend.

NEW BUSINESS:

• Elections – Holly

We need 10 members for a quorum to voice vote on the membership slate. Minutes for the annual meeting need to reflect that is was a voice vote. We need succession planning. Linda asked Holly to discuss at June meeting.

• "Garden Walk" 2016 – Shari

Shari distributed a list for people to volunteer for helping at event or showing their garden.

• Home for Lifetime - magnets – Ann

The magnets are complete and will be distributed with the next Crier.

• Need new rep for Corwin and Elmcroft? – Group

DeDe Ranger is alternate, would she consider doing the whole street or share with Olga Walsh. Linda will ask Olga if she will take over and get back in touch with DeDe. Elmcroft – Jim Nicholson looking for a new rep, and is trying to reach the Byerlys at 190. We also need someone for Merchants to replace Mary Connors.

• Movie in the Park – Jim Nicholson

Last year had about 40 people, considered a big success. We will do again on a Saturday evening mid-August (Date tbd). Suggested another Star Wars movie.

- Need help with Annual Membership Meeting (set up/take down) Request for volunteers to come early or stay late.
- Need Picnic Committee, and will discuss at June meeting.
- Linda shared information about Jim Bishop's report on the poll he organized, using NextDoor, about concerns that neighbors might have to guide future BNA efforts.
- Bob Genthner mentioned our Facebook page. 82 people were active on the site in a recent week. <u>https://www.facebook.com/browncroftna</u>

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Linda Siple

- Rose Garden Clean up WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!!!! Sat. April 30, 10-2:00 in Rose Garden, to spread mulch. Linda will contact Pinny Cooke House for volunteers.
- Annual BNA Membership Meeting Wed., May 18, 2016 Faith to Faith Church 7:00 8:30.
- Next FULL Board Meeting Wed., June 15 Faith to Faith Church 7:00pm
- BNA Picnic Wed., July 20, 5:00, Ellison Park, Sycamore Shelter