

TPNA Steering Committee Meeting
Minutes
June 23rd, 2008 7 p.m.
Thorkildson's

Jody Collins opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Attending: Richard Thorkildson, Doug Ferneau, Bill Roenicke, Pam Carino, Donna Thorkildson, Laura Silbernagel, Jody Collins Absent: La Tonya, Carol, Clint, Marina

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) Discussion and Approval of minutes from May 12th Meeting. Approved unanimously
- 2) Treasurer's report - Richard Thorkildson Current Balance: \$1320.43

Includes only one charge for the month of \$6.08 for water meter. Jody needs to turn receipt for pictures of Pathway clean up. Laura and Richard reviewed income from the past two (2006 and 2007) garage sales and Laura submitted a receipt for poster expenses for the annual meeting.

- 3) Jody Collins—update on contact with renter in blue house at the top of Index Ave. (next to top of pathway). Name is Aisha Miller—single mother of 4, works full time, her daughter just got diagnosed with sickle cell anemia so she cannot do anything about her yard right now. Jody will contact the landlord (Mr. Nguyen) re: repairing the chain link fence (bending into the pathway), repairing the light in the backyard, and possibly mowing.
- 4) Jody-- Pathway Clean up—read a letter from Mayor, note to R. Reporter
- 5) Richard/Doug—Drug Free Zone sign—in process?

Richard did not get a chance to do anything about the sign yet. Ask the city about putting up drug free signs at both ends of path during the summer

6) Committee and Ad Hoc Committee Reports:

--**Picnic**—date: Thursday, September 4th, 2008 CHAIR: Rosemary Quesenberry. Volunteers include: Ron Goss, Richard and Donna Thorkildson, Pam Carino, Clint Maurer, Marina Higgins, Dennis Anderson and LaTonya Rogers. Picnic Will be combined with the TPHA. Have setup 5:00, food at 5:30, lasts to 8:00 pm. Usually we put signs up. Jody will discuss with Rosemary about plans for meeting and details of potluck assignments.

--**Newsletter (Information)**-- Jody brought a draft of the June newsletter to review. We are going to print double sided 2 pages. Jody will finish up newsletter and e-mail to Laura, and then we are going to try to distribute by end of month. We want it in color

--**Parks Committee**—Clint Maurer (absent; Richard T. reported) Re: Ginger Creek Park clean up on Saturday June 21st. \$700.00 of City Grant money was used on bark. Clint and Heidi Maurer, Doug Ferneau and daughter Taylor, Park neighbors also came and helped for 3 – 4 hours, as well as Richard and Donna Thorkildson. Bark was spread, weed eating done, mowing and general clean up. 4 High School students also attended at the request of Heidi Maurer, asst. Principal.

RE; "little" park in the Tiffany Park Homeowner's Assn: Richard suggests updating that park so we are doing something at the other end of the neighborhood. Park benches and tables are moldy and need to be pressure washed. There is graffiti on the toys and play equipment. Jody volunteered at TPHA meeting in May to contact arborist to give bid on trimming the trees overhanging the sidewalk, but wants TPHA to pay for it. Jody will push Rosemary on the tree issue. Steven mows lawn at that park. Divets under play area, no bark left. It was discussed and agreed to NOT volunteer to do any work there until they step up to the plate and take initiative to do some clean up on their own—i.e., pay Steven to sweep and edge and pay an arborist to cut the trees back. We will WAIT on volunteering any help at this time.

--Safety Committee—Donna T.

Donna and Pam got together and Pam started mapping neighborhood. Has numbered houses and set up by street names/numbers/cul de sacs and so on, one folder for each, complete with maps. She will have a space at the Picnic for homeowners to list their contact info and home info. She just needs to fix a few addresses and find a few houses. There are only a few for the Royal Hills Apartments. Richard suggested Pam go to Fire Dept for address info.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Doug says homeowner's fence next to the bus stop across from Tiffany Park Elementary school becoming graffiti ridden. (At Lake Youngs and Kirkland Ave facing school). There is graffiti cleaning spray available at Mclendons. Bill Roenicke with work with Doug to secure it, then Doug will contact the homeowner to tell them the Neighborhood Assn. is going to clean it for them. Doug will monitor the fence until our next meeting in August to see if there is anymore activity. We may have to go to the homeowners and ultimately to Metro to ask them to REMOVE the bus stop completely if the vandalism continues. Doug my pursue finding out what kind of material the fence made of prior to securing materials.

B. At 17th Ct. and Lake Youngs Way, Doug says sidewalk is buckled and wants to know what we should do? Have City fix it? (sidewalk runs in front of school). Jody will contact the Road Maintenance Dept. of the City to report that a committee member (Pam) is concerned about safety when walking there with her day care kids—possible injury and liability. We'd like to see it repaired.

C. Jody asked if we would mind not having a monthly meeting during the summer. We will have our NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING IS AUGUST 11TH AT JODY COLLINS' HOUSE 6:30 p.m.

D,. Bill Roenicke suggested we send THE TPHA a letter suggesting that they make improvements at the 'pocket' park. Pam will nudge Gail Milette about conditions there, also.

F. Doug would like us to see if Tiffany Park residents are interested in buying enough flag poles to get a discount.. Jody asked Bill to make a presentation at the picnic—LONG MAY IT WAVE, to promote neighborhood spirit. Have several different options for neighbors to purchase poles and flags. He will look into getting a group discount for items with a price break of 10 or more.

G. Laura Silbernagel made a suggestion and asked about doing an annual Easter Egg Hunt? Pam Carino responded that it had been done in the past but the logistics—timing, weather, involvement and the complications with it being a church holiday would make it too difficult.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Submitted by Laura Silbernagel, Jody Collins