

RWNA Minutes – August 22, 2019

4 pm to 6 pm at the Environmental Center 16 NW Kansas Avenue

Reporting items:

1. Administrative items
 - a. Approved agenda
 - b. Approved minutes (June 17, 2019)
 - c. Treasurer's report -Compliance report has been completed. Discussion on RWNA opening a bank account. No motion made. RWNA has a budget of \$9,693 from the COB this year. Julie will email BOD letter from Joshua list of acceptable expenses that the funds can be used for.
 - d. A motion was made to appoint Stephanie Higgins to one of the open RWNA board positions. She will take on communications for RWNA. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Public Comment period – Two visitors who reside on SW Knoll addressed the BOD about a threatening letter they had anonymous received. The letter was read and, in the letter, it was mentioned that the author had informed the RWNA about the contents of the letter. RWNA responded that they had not been made aware of the letter or any concerns of the letters author. RWNA assured the visitors that RWNA would not be in a position to address the anonymous authors concerns in the letter.
3. Liaison Reporting
 - a. NLA -NLA has had 3 meetings since June. There is a roadmap for NLA progress which Joshua will post on website. Both Strategic plan and Action plan committees were just approved. Cassie will serve on Strategic plan. From these committees there are several sub committees. The NLA budget was adopted in June. NLA is focusing on the NSSP and the Land Use Changes are taking the back seat to the NSSP. River West currently has 5 applications in the NSSP.
 - b. NART -The Firework Safety Education Program was successful in deterring illegal firework activity. Next NART meeting is September 14th at OSU. The next meeting topic will be Building Community and Neighborhood Events. NART's main topic last meeting was "Planning the NA Annual Meeting" They have good suggestions on how to conduct a successful Annual Meeting. RWNA discussed the idea of a raffle at the end to encourage members to stay for whole meeting. RWNA will review NART suggestions when planning the annual meeting. RWNA NART representative had several questions for the BOD to take back to the next NART meeting
 - c. DPAC -It was reported that businesses this fall are looking at a parking study. Businesses want a vision on parking.
 - d. Transportation System Plan. Mike has been attending the TSP meetings.
4. Communications

- a. Alerts have gone out for Evergreen Development, NSSP program and online TSP survey
- b. RWNA newsletter should go out in September. We need a date and time for the Annual Meeting.

Stephanie as RWNA communication will take over Next-door, Facebook and Website maintenance.

5. Committees update

- a. Neighborhood Street Safety Programs- Stephanie and Deb will co-chair the RWNA subcommittee for NSSP. All applications must be submitted through the city. We have 4 others interested in the subcommittee and will meet on the 28th. The subcommittee will send all applications received with their recommendations to BOD and the BOD will narrow it to two to submit to NLA.
- b. Parking – There is discussion on the current residential parking permit on Shevlin-Hixon by white water park and if the city is going to extend it to other neighborhoods.

Discussion items:

6. Old Business

- a. Land use
 - i. Shell application- There is a new site plan on e-plans. It shows the building backing up to Harmon and driveways on Galveston and Columbia. The Carwash is no longer on the plan.
 - ii. Boss Rambler law suit is still on going
 - iii. Evergreen Application has been modified by removing the upper floor.
 - iv. Cityview (eplans replacement) – Eric King is taking names for residents to review the new system. Mike has asked to be on the list.

7. New business

- a. The summer meeting was successful. We recruited several new members. It was discussed that for the dollars spent and number at meeting it could be expensive. There was discussion for doing a different type of summer meeting next year. Discussion of several small meetings at parks etc.
- b. We need a date and place for the Annual Meeting. The date of November 14th or 19th was chosen. Deb will contact Highland School about the Gym and Stephanie is going to check with Westside Church.
- c. Discussion of four new RWNA signs and moving one outside of neighborhood into neighborhood. No motion made

Present

Mike Walker, Cassie Giddings, Deb Eimstad, Stephanie Higgins, Harry Williamson, Julie Hamilton, Don James, Terry Reynolds.

