

Northside –Hester Park Neighborhood

April 7, 2011 Steering Committee Meeting

Members Present: Kaye Schimmich, David Mohs, Andra Middlestaedt, Pam Haugen, Kelly Haugen, Joan Rydberg, Ellen “Susie” Lies, Janet Reigstad, David Laliberte, Judy Moldenhauer, Rebecca Brown-Medvec, David Medvec.

Mission Statement – Read by Susie Lies

Discussion of/Brainstorming in response to 2 articles Kaye sent out on recruiting volunteers. Tried to discuss but tabled until next month. One point brought up was that personally asking people to volunteer is usually more effective than just a general announcement/request in a newsletter.

April 16th Neighborhood Clean-up - Jan has things all in place for this project, which will be held from 9-Noon. Volunteers will be meeting at the pool area of the park to sign in and get a map of the area that they will be working on. Jan is picking up the bags and gloves from the city this week. She will be ordering pizza for the workers. Jan will be getting bags and gloves to Andra for the hospital employees that will be cleaning up. Cathedral High School students will be working around the school area on the 20th of April.

Home Tour – (see attached Home Tour Planning Update) Kaye updated with where things are at. Still waiting to confirm on a few crafters and musicians, and she will be contacting those on the volunteer “wish list” that showed interest in this project. Judy, Joan and Pam volunteered to be hostess, Kelly and Susie said that they would sell tickets/t-shirts in the park. Rebecca was going to check her calendar to see if she would be available to take photos of the event. Kaye will be placing the musicians/crafters/hostess in the homes. Posters and tickets have been printed. Kaye will be numbering the tickets and then David will distribute the tickets for sale to Coborn’s and St Cloud Hospital, along with any Steering Committee members willing to sell them. Please contact David if you would like tickets. Kaye has posters, so contact her if you are willing to seek places willing to display them. Susie will be picking up plants for the homes that are on tour. Kaye will be contacting Michelle Johnson about creating jars for the home tour for collection of donations for the pool fund; thought that kids creating them would be a fun idea. Advance Tour for volunteers will be on Saturday, April 30th at 7:00pm, Kaye will update closer to the date. Kaye brought up the idea of giving shirts to volunteers (homeowners, hosts/hostesses, musicians, artists/crafters). Would we have enough time to order more shirts, as for they would like at least two weeks’ notice. Pam was going to count the shirts and then we were going to go from there.

Hester Park Raking – Joan said that she has contacted the city to get bags, and she will be picking those up this week. She will be calling those on the “wish list” that said they were interested in working in the park. Dates are scheduled for May raking. Joan called Scott to ask him about the creeping Charlie that is in the park, however has not heard back from him. She also talked with Pat Shea and said that things are on schedule for the bridge repair on the south bridge. It will be repaired in sections, and they are planning on starting that soon.

Treasurer’s Report – Pam informed everyone that bills have to be postmarked by the 10th of the month, and then payment would be made shortly after. Originally, checks were distributed at the coalition meeting; however, they may be mailing them all now. So, if you could turn receipts/invoices in to Pam when you receive them, paperwork for reimbursement will be processed and mailed into the accountant by the 10th of each month. As of the March balance sheet our balance is: \$7,403.62. Initiative

Foundation (\$637.89), Wading Pool \$746.39, Bremer Grant \$3,200, Neighborhood Funds \$4,066.12, Memorial Garden \$29.00. The initiative foundation is showing a negative balance since funds were not received yet. Pam was questioning if we would be receiving funds and if so, when and how much. Kaye thought that they were already received, however have not shown up on the balance sheet yet.

Coalition - Judy said that they were working on wording of the procedure on how to replace members. They were verifying that neighborhoods were up to date on the insurance coverage. Speaker covered HUD properties that are for sale and who qualifies for purchasing these homes at low prices.

Miscellaneous – Kaye will be buying card stock to print more thank you cards. We decided to go with the larger cards. And, will be writing/signing thank you cards at the next meeting. Just a reminder that checks for the Home Tour should be made out to: SCNC (St Cloud Neighborhood Coalition). David Mohs stated that he will not be available on the 4th of August to open up the building, if we plan on meeting there that day.