

Northside-Hester Park Neighborhood Steering Committee

Location: North bridge of Hester Park

Time: Thursday, August 4, 2011 at 6:30 PM

Members Present, Pam Haugen, Janet Reigstad, Jaon Rydberg, Susie Lies, Julie Gaetz, and guest Judy Moldenhauer.

Joan reported that our new sign by the pool should be in place in a few days. It was thought that the old sign would be moved to the other side of the park and placed on the river side. The repair of the south bridge was put off for a week because of the weather. Joan would like to plant some new trees to replace the ones lost in the storms. Jan will talk to Chris about planting trees in the park and Steve will talk to the county arborist to find out what trees are sustainable and disease resistant to our area. Joan also said that Travis has been putting grass seed down in the bare areas. She also said there were a group of young people [teens] that offered to do some raking for us.

Pam's treasurer report gave a total balance of \$10,527.71. Initiative foundation has 145.00. Wading pool has 796.39 which will be used to keep our pool open an extra few days. Bremer Grant has 2470.55. Neighborhood fund has 7371.87, and Memorial Garden has 34.00. 7,000.00 of our money will be used to pay for the new sign. If any one has any receipts from purchases please give them to Pam so she can turn them in for reimbursements.

Jan gave the coalition report. She said the Social was attended by several from our group. There will be a seminar for realtors on August 15th. They will visit each neighborhood and would like to hear about our neighborhood from someone in each of the coalitions. Andra offered to be our speaker and Joan said she would also be present to help Andra. Andra is our Hospital representative. Jan said the next coalition meeting will be next week.

Miscellaneous Items:

- The newsletter will be put out we hope by August 15th. Julie Gaetz will do the lay out and we will have it printed by Insti Print. Pam will contact Kaye and get the list of people who deliver the news letter.
- It was decided to have a neighborhood social in the park on September 1st in stead of our monthly meeting. Dominoes will sell pizza by the slice or whole. Pam will check on the price they will charge. We will supply the beverages free. Steve will arrange to get the beverages.
- Other topics discussed were staining the picnic tables, and possibly getting a table that was handicap accessible. We also talked about a shelter of some kind, something with a cement floor and a roof, possibly a gazebo. Steve said he would check at Mathew Hall for types of shelters and cost. This will be an on going project. Joan will talk to some one to see if building the shelter is possible. We would also like to see some kind of receptacle for cigarette butts placed in the park. We also looked at a shed for our tools. This also will be an ongoing project. We need to find out if we can place one by our flower beds.

Our next meeting will be held at Cathedral High School Conference Room on October 6th at 6:30 pm. Remember our neighborhood social Thursday September 1st from 5 to 7 pm....Pizza in the park.

Agenda will be sent out before September meeting.