

Northside Hester Park Neighborhood Meeting January 3 2013, Cathedral High School

Members Present: Joan Rydberg, Steve Lanz, David Mohs, Hospital representative Andra VanKempen, Guest Ken Otto, Ellen[Susie]Lies, Pam Haugen, Seal Dwyer, and Brandon Pauman.

1] Hospital Parking: Andra introduced Ken Otto, who gave an update on their employee parking. He stated that they have been trying to get the employees to park in the ramps now that the majority of the construction is done at the hospital and get them away from parking in the neighborhood. He stated that this will be an ongoing process and will keep us informed. He also stated that if anyone has any questions we can contact either Andra or himself. Thank you for bringing us this information.

2] Coalition Report: Brandon attended the December 20 meeting and stated there was nothing new to report, but that he as treasurer of the coalition did sign the check for our lights in the park. It was reported that the check was sent to the wrong city official, but that it eventually made it to Scott, the park representative.

3] Treasurers Report: Pam reported a balance of \$5656.03. \$2369.06 of the Initiative Foundation needs to be used by 7/31/2013. \$796.39 is in our pool fund, \$2456.58 in our neighborhood fund, and \$34.00 in the memorial garden fund. No other changes in balance after the money paid out for the park lights.

4] Christmas Decorating Contest: It was decided the each winner would receive a check for \$25.00 as we did last year. 10 winners were chosen and will be awarded their prizes when we receive the checks from the coalition. The names of the winners will be listed in the newsletter.

5] Newsletter: Printing, mailing and cost were discussed, and it was agreed that we would try for one year the mailing system that we would use Rupp Printing after going over the price quotes that Brandon obtained. The area covered will exceed our neighborhood area beyond 9th Ave, but price wise it still would be costing us less. We also need to cover that area do to the post office delivery. Steve motioned that we do the one year trial period and Seal seconded the motion. The motion was carried. Brandon will check in the payment method.

The next newsletter is planned to be out by the end of March. Suggested articles were 1]The annual neighborhood meeting which we decided to hold April 25. Joan will talk to David about using the Cathedral High School cafeteria. 2] the Christmas Contest. 3] Neighborhood house history by Seal. 4] Spring cleanup. 5]Hospital Neighborhood parking. Andra offered to write the article. 6] Music in the Park, possible return of the event. 7] Report on the Beaver Island Trail from the information we will receive at our Feb. meeting. 8] Meet your neighbor. Steve will again write the article and will be do the article on Seal and Brandon. 9] The Fourth of July fundraiser also written by Steve. And 10] An article on weather awareness. It was decided that all articles should be sent to Seal who will edit and forward them to Julie for layout.

6] Beaver Island Trail: The update on the Beaver Island Trail was put off until our Feb. 7 meeting. Matt Glaesman will be coming to give us an update.

7] Miscellaneous: The annual meeting will be held Thursday April 25 at 6:00pm. We will have House of Pizza cater as we did last year. Some topics to be covered are updates on the hospital and neighborhood parking and answering questions , possible short update on The Beaver Island Trail, brief

report on what we have accomplished as a neighborhood group and possible plans for the future. There will be a question and answer session. We will be addressing these topics and the get-together at our next meeting.

The Home Tour was discussed, and it was felt that we should try to hold one this year possibly in May, or wait until August and incorporate a tour of some of the neighborhood gardens. Brandon will continue to work on this project and we will continue to discuss it at coming meetings. It was felt we should really try to do this to help keep our funds growing, and not just rely on the 4th of July fundraiser. Joan felt we should increase our offerings at the 4th fundraiser and will look into how it can be done. She will bring her ideas to future meetings.

Our next meeting will be February 7 at 6:30pm in the lower level meeting room at Cathedral High School. Everyone is welcome.