

Northside Hester Park Steering Committee
August 1, 2013, 6:30PM
Cathedral High School Conference Room

Memeber's Present: Janet Reigstad, David Mohs, Ellen[Susie]Lies, Pam Haugen, Steve Lanz, Joan Rydberg.

Park report-Joan: It was brought to our attention that the sprinkler system is run by batteries, and was started two weeks ago after the batteries were replaced. There has not been a response from Scott regarding Brandon's request to plant fruit trees in the park. After some discussion, it was felt that this might not be feasible, since the care and watering would probably be our responsibility. Joan will call Scott and remind him of our request for waste containers by the tennis courts.

Treasurers Report-Pam: David should have his expenses for the survey submitted by August 10. Requests for the Checks for the Neighborhood Proud winners will be submitted also to the coalition and should be out next month. Steve noted that the \$14.00 cost of the ice cream novelties was donated by Coborn's.

Coalition Report-Janet: Janet stated that there wasn't a formal meeting last month do to the annual potluck get together. She told them about our neighborhood proud award system that we have started and stated that they thought it was a great idea. St. John Cantus neighborhood has new representatives. The grant report has been accepted and submitted to Juliana.

4th Of July Fund Raiser-Steve: There was some duplicated items to ours that other vendors were selling that we had been licensed to sell. Steve intends to talk to Scott about this and also the fact that Tom Richardson was giving permission to some people to sell their products in the park.

Neighborhood Proud Program- New nominations-Steve: Steve said we had a good positive response from our first set of award winners in July. New nominations for August, were 1230 8th Ave. No., 903 6th Ave. No., 1253 8th Ave. No., 1253 7th Ave No., and 610 15 th St. No. Some nominations for September were Dave Eull house on 8th Ave., Sue and Dewy's house on 8th Ave. The Gambrino home on 8th,the house at 713 6th Ave. David also had some houses in mind that he said he would e-mail to Steve. Signs and awards will be completed this week.

Neighborhood zoning survey-David: Matt Glasemann was sent an e-mail and has not responded, nor has the city. A possible meeting on September 5th with the city will be scheduled prior to our steering committee meeting. We hope to hold this meeting in the Holy Angels Performing Arts Center.

Update-Ugly House-David: There is a court hearing August 9 regarding the house at 715 4th street No. The bank wants to fast forward the foreclosure process. The house will probably given a quick fix up and sold as is. David has suggested that we take our home tour signs and modify them to read "this house is owner occupied" and let those neighbors who want to post them in there yards when a house goes up for sale in the neighborhood, letting perspective buyers know we would like our neighborhoods to stay that way. We all thought that this was a good idea. It was also noted that the house at 625 8th Ave. No. had graffiti and that the house was vacant. David said that he was aware of this and had already filed a complaint.

Home Tour-Brandon: Brandon was unable to attend the meeting. It was noted that Theresa Rose, one of our July Proud winners would be willing to put her home on the tour.

Newsletter: Possible newsletter out in September or October-to be mailed. David said he would like to contact a new business-ZQSI on 6th Ave. and 2nd St. to see if they would be willing to be in an article about them. Janet will do an article on the HRA.

Steve will do articles on the 4th of July Fundraiser, and the Neighborhood Proud program. An article on the Little Saints Academy was also suggested. It was also suggested we put something in about having a neighborhood garage sale.

Next Hester Park Neighborhood Steering Committee Meeting September 5 at 6:30PM at Cathedral High School's Conference Room.

Every one is welcome.