

Northside Hester Park Steering Committee

Thursday October 2, 2014
Cathedral High School's Conference Room

Members Present: Joan Rydberg, Ellen[Susie]Lies, Pam Haugen, Seal Dwyer, Brandon Pauman, Steve Lanz and Janet Reigstad.

1]Park Report: Remains same. No new events to report.

2]Financial Report: Eight reimbursements were sent in. \$125.00 in gift cards are paid for to be used as prizes at the annual meeting. Andra our representative from the hospital will be asked to submit and invoice for the invitation post cards printed and mailed for our annual meeting. Unspent grant money totals \$2008.00. Pam will check to verify the time line for the grant money to be used.

3]Coalition Report: The monthly September meeting was not held, because of the wine tasting fundraiser was scheduled that evening.

4]Newsletter: The newsletter has not be published yet. An article on the annual meeting will be included in the newsletter along with the other articles.

5]Neighborhood Proud Awards: New nominations are 1]George Currier 1106 *th Ave. 2]Gloria Ebacher 1213 6th Ave. 3] Jay and Kathleen Eisentrager 316 6th Ave. and 4]Leo Gambrino 1505 8th Ave. Steve reported that the Henning family was very pleased with the award last month. A discussion was held as to purchasing another sign to replace the one that was lost. It was suggested that we purchase another 5 signs, then we will have signs to replace broken etc. in the future, Janet moved to buy the signs and Brandon 2nd the motion. All were in favor. Steve will order the new signs.

6]Ghost Walk: Plans were made to sell tickets at the annual meeting. Brandon and Seal will design and print the tickets. Minutes were read from the extra meeting held on September 11th. A final planing session will be held on October 9th at 6:30PM at Seal's house. Steve requested an e-mail reminder.

7]Annual Meeting. Our annual meeting plans were finalized at the the extra September 11th meeting. Notes from that meeting were reviewed. Seal plans to post the meeting again on the web site and face book page. We will again be asking our neighbors for concerns they might have about the neighborhood and also suggestions of what they would like to have happen in the neighborhood. One of our committee members will take notes at the meeting and we will address these concerns and suggestions at our steering committee meetings. Neighbors will be encouraged to come to the November 6th meeting to take part in the committee member elections of officers and also join us as a member of the committee.

8]Neighborhood Watch: This topic will be included at the annual meeting, urging neighbors to start a program in their block.

9]Holiday Fund Raiser/Party: Holding this will depend upon what Pam finds out about our grant money time line . We will make plans at future meetings.

10]Miscellaneous: Pam suggested we get some kind of identifying system for our park. It was suggested getting Hester Park calling cards. Something with a picture of the bridge, and stating who we

are. Brandon motioned we move forward with this and all agreed this is what we should do. Seal will design a card and Steve will check with the company that makes our signs to see if they could print the cards and what the cost would be. Steve brought up an idea of how we could replace damaged trees in the neighborhood. He thought we could approach several landscaping companies and ask if there could be a program set up between the companies and the committee where our neighbors could choose and purchase a tree at cost and we would put \$50.00 towards the price of the tree. Sort of a matching fund of up to \$50.00 for a neighbor to help replace a damaged tree or fill in an empty space. We all thought this was a great idea and will continue to discuss this at future meetings. It was also suggested we check with the DNR, because they will donate trees. Someone also thought it would be nice if we had a neighborhood Arbor Day celebration.

The next Hester Park Steering Committee Meeting will be Thursday November 6, 2014 at 6:30PM in Cathedral High School's conference room. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. Please come and join us and consider becoming a committee member.