

# Benton Park West Neighborhood Association – Board Meeting

Monday, September 14, 2015

Call to order – 6:31 pm

1. Roll Call
  - a. President, Linda Hennigh, Absent
  - b. Vice Present, Becky Martinez, Absent
  - c. Secretary, Scott McIntosh, Present
  - d. Treasurer, Frank Becker, Present
  - e. Member At-Large, Dan Geary, Present
  - f. Member At-Large, Roz Ball, Absent
  - g. Block Link, Vacant
  - h. Communications, Bill Byrd, Present
  - i. Finance, Frank Becker, Present
  - j. Membership – Karen Becker, Present
  - k. Beautification, Stephanie McKinney, Present
  - l. Community Garden, Vacant
  - m. Dog Park, Chris Schmidt, Absent
  - n. Facilities, Bill Byrd
  - o. Fundraising, Vacant
  - p. Quality of Life and Safety, Carrie Sleep, Absent
  - q. Youth Outreach, Pam Welsh, Absent
  - r. Cherokee Street Liaison, Anne McCullough, Absent
2. Review and acceptance of August Board Meeting Minutes – Dan Geary moves, Frank Becker seconds, passes
3. Review August Treasurer’s Report and 2015 Budget
4. Standing Committees
  - a. Block Link
  - b. Communications
  - c. Finance
    - i. July rent (\$300) to Salvation Army; check hasn’t cleared yet
  - d. Membership
5. Special Committees
  - a. Beautification
    - i. 11 properties will be getting trees!
  - b. Community Garden
  - c. Dog Park
    - i. Saturday, Sept 12 held a clean up day; will schedule another work day
    - ii. Adrian Martinez, former mowing service
      - I. Have an invoice from 2014 mowing services of \$250
      - II. Have an invoice for 2015 of \$150
      - III. Total = \$400 ask for payment
      - IV. Paid in 2014 July and August \$200
      - V. Will discuss with Linda about past payments and how to move forward with outstanding debt
    - iii. Reggie Parker, new mower for remainder of 2015
      - I. Invoice for \$45 for August mowing; Frank Becker moves, Stephanie McKinney, passes

- iv. Water fountain is leaking, will check with Linda on warranty from previous fix and what should be done long term with the fountain.
  - d. Facilities
  - e. Fundraising
  - f. Housing
  - g. Quality of Life and Safety
  - h. Youth Outreach
- 6. Discussion Items
  - a. Action Items
  - b. Neighborhood Leadership Academy
    - i. Email about free registration for Neighborhood Association
    - ii. Scott will forward Linda's email for everyone to read
- 7. Review September Neighborhood Association Meeting Agenda
  - a. Cherokee Neighborhoods Happy Hour (9/24): TBD – Marina Villa or Benton Park
  - b. Consider inviting neighborhood nonprofits and businesses to present at NA meetings
  - c. Add Dog Park Trick or Treat, Sat, Oct 31 from 10am-12 pm
- 8. Open Forum
- 9. Adjournment – Stephanie McKinney moves, Dan Geary seconds, passes at 7:48 pm

## **ACTION ITEMS**

- 1. All
  - a. Bring \$1 for 50/50 at Membership Meeting
- 2. Becky
- 3. Bill
  - a. Follow up on copier (wrong finisher, doesn't have scanning)
  - b. New neighbor packets
  - c. Follow up with Dan Gunther about Oktoberfest
- 4. Chris
  - a. Name the dog park; took a vote in April Meeting. Now Benton Bark Dog Park.
  - b. Need a sign for the dog park
- 5. Dan
- 6. Frank
  - a. Monthly Treasurer's and Budget report; includes year-to-date budget
  - b. Send bio (Karen will send)
  - c. Send headshot if you want it added to the website
  - d. Correct Buddha Body/Lafayette UMC on Treasurer's Report
  - e. Document on Treasurer's Report that Budget for copier lease and copier maintenance will be higher
  - f. Update copier lease and maintenance on budget (check with Bill)
- 7. Karen
  - a. Welcome Wagon proposal
- 8. Linda
  - a. Board and NA meeting agendas
    - i. Ask residents to email membership about new home owners on their block
  - b. Put page numbers on the Board meeting agenda
- 9. Scott
  - a. Monthly Board and NA meeting minutes

- b. Letters of support
- c. Website
  - i. Add monthly Board and Membership meeting minutes
  - ii. Add Porch newsletter sponsors to Weekly Porch; check printed version for list
- d. Housing Committee
  - i. Post update BPW real estate listings on Fridays
  - ii. Schedule housing meetings; same day as Housing Corporation. If City wants a meeting or not, we'll meet.