

**HEIGHTS PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING**

**MAY 11, 2011
6:30 PM**

ATTENDEES:

JANET DePUY
STEPHEN SPRINGS
MARSHA MAYO
SHEILA HARRISON

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2011

ACTION ITEMS:

- JANET DePUY WILL CONTACT THE CANYON CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION FOR:
 - INFORMATION ON THEIR ANNUAL MEETINGS WITH THE CITY COUNCIL MEMEBERS IN ORDER TO PLAN A MEETING FOR HPNA.
 - INFORMATION ON HOW THEY GATHER DATA FOR THEIR DIRECTORY.
- JANET DePUY WILL CHECK HER CALENDAR FOR A DATE TO PLAN A PARTY/CELEBRATION FOR ALL OF THE HPNA VOLUNTEERS.
- JANET DePUY WILL CHECK WITH THE FLAG PROGRAM TO SEE IF THEY WILL SET A FLAG UP AT THE ENTRY SIGNAGE AT FLOYD AND ARAPAHO AND IF THEY WILL SET UP FLAGS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD IF WE HAVE LESS THAN 100 PARTICIPANTS.
- JANET DePUY WILL MEET WITH THE NEW OWNERS OF THE HEIGHTS SHOPPING CENTER.
- MARSHA MAYO WILL RESEARCH DEMOGRAPHICS ON THE HOOKA BARS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD.
- SHEILA HARRISON WILL BEGIN A MEMBERSHIP DRIVE WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK REPS. (ONGOING)
- ALL BOARD MEMBERS — HELP WITH WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES

MINUTES:

1. TREASURER'S REPORT —
JANET DePUY REPORTED THE HPNA ACCOUNT BALANCE WAS: \$4,164.99 AS OF MAY 10, 2011.
2. MEMBERSHIP REPORT —
 - A. LISA RICHARDS WAS ABSENT THEREFORE WE DID NOT HAVE A REPORT ON CURRENT MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION.

3. CIVIC REPORT –

MONDAY, MAY 9, 2011, THE CITY COUNCIL HAD AN OPEN PUBLIC MEETING REGARDING THE SPRING VALLEY ZONING PROJECT. JANET DePUY ATTENDED THIS MEETING AND SAID IT LASTED UNTIL MIDNIGHT BECAUSE OF ALL THE PARTICIPATION FROM SPRING VALLEY RICHARDSON RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS OWNERS. SEVERAL AMENDMENTS WERE MADE TO THE PROPOSED ZONING CHANGES TO ACCOMODATE EXISTING BUSINESS OWNERS. AT THE END OF THE MEETING THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVED THE NEW SPRING VALLEY ZONING PROPOSALS.

4. SAFETY REPORT –

- A. MARSHA MAYO INFORMED US THAT THE TIME WARNER CABLE BOXES ARE BEING VANDALIZED. THIS IS HAPPENING ALL OVER THE DFW AREA INCLUDING RICHARDSON. WITHIN THE LAST WEEK A CABLE BOX IN THE ALLEY BETWEEN WINCHESTER AND NORTHILL HAD BEEN VANDALIZED. APPARENTLY IT'S THE BATTERIES IN THE CABLE BOXES THAT ARE BEING TARGETED.
- B. MARSHA ANNOUNCED THAT SHE RECEIVED A "TERRORIST ALERT" ADVISING CITIZENS TO KEEP A WATCHFUL EYE OUT FOR SUSPICIOUS PERSONS/ACTIVITY AROUND WATER TOWERS, CIVIC BUILDINGS AND GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS. UNFORTUNATELY, OUR NEIGHBORHOOD HAS ALL THREE ITEMS LOCATED IN ITS' VACINITY.

5. SUMMER EVENT

- A. THE DECISION WAS MADE TO GO AHEAD AND RENT A PATIO AT THE WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL FOR SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2011.
- B. HPNA WILL NEED TO SELL 100 TICKETS. 25 TICKETS HAVE BEEN SOLD ALREADY. TICKETS ARE PRICED AT \$10 PER PERSON; \$20 PER FAMILY AND CHILDREN UNDER 12 GET IN FREE. WE ALSO HAVE PARKING PASSES FOR \$5. THE PARKING AREA IS LOCATED CLOSE TO THE PATIO. ON SUNDAY, THE FESTIVAL WILL HAVE AN AREA SET UP ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN WITH ALL KINDS OF FREE ACTIVITIES FOR THEM TO DO
- C. A FLYER FOR THIS EVENT HAS BEEN CREATED AND THE BLOCK REPS WILL DISTRIBUTE THEM TO THE RESIDENTS THIS WEEKEND, MAY 14TH AND 15TH. IF THE TICKET SALES ARE STILL SLUGGISH NEXT WEEK WE WILL INVITE ANOTHER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION TO PARTICIPATE WITH HPNA.
- D. THE HPNA WEB SITE HAS BEEN UPDATED WITH THE FLYER INFORMATION. A MAP OF THE FESTIVAL GROUNDS IS ALSO AVAILABLE ALONG WITH A LINK TO THE WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL WEB SITE.
- E. HPNA WILL PROVIDE FREE PIZZA AND \$1.00 DRINKS FROM 1:00PM TO 2:30PM.
- F. SUPPLIES: JANET ORDERED A LARGE HPNA BANNER MADE WITH THE LOGO WHICH WILL BE HUNG ON THE PATIO. STEPHEN OFFERED TO BRING ZIP TIES TO HANG THE BANNER. PLATES, NAPKINS AND TABLECLOTHS WILL BE PROVIDED. WE WILL NEED TO PURCHASE BALLOONS AND STREAMERS FOR DECORATING AND MATERIALS TO MAKE ADDITIONAL SIGNS. HPNA T-SHIRTS AND TOTE BAGS WILL ALSO BE DISPLAYED FOR SALE.
- G. HPNA BOARD MEMBERS WILL HELP STAFF THE EVENT.
- H. JANET WILL INVITE ALL THE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO STOP BY THE PATIO FOR LUNCH.

6. OTHER ITEMS –

- A. WELCOME KITS –

- I. **CHAIR PERSON:** MARSHA SPOKE WITH BOTH JACKIE OSWALD AND JOAN MAYO REGARDING THE CHAIR POSITION, HOWEVER BOTH DECLINED. THEY BOTH VOLUNTEERED TO HELP WITH THE PROGRAM. JACKIE SAID SHE DID NOT MIND MEETING THE NEWCOMERS AND DELIVERING THE WELCOME TOTE BAGS.
 - II. **TOTE BAGS:** MARSHA CHECKED WITH JOAN MAYO AND SHE DID NOT HAVE ANY TOTE BAGS LEFT OVER FROM THE PREVIOUS WELCOME PROGRAM. MARSHA ALSO CHECKED ON THE TOTE BAGS AT HOBBY LOBBY AND THEY WERE MUCH MORE THAN .99. SHE ALSO SEARCHED THE INTERNET FOR BARGAINS ON TOTE BAGS BUT UNLESS WE ARE WILLING TO PURCHASE A LARGE QUANTITY (100+) THE PRICES AT HOBBY LOBBY ARE OUR BEST BET. MARSHA ALSO WANTS TO GET THE HPNA LOGO PRINTED/SPRAYED ON THE TOTE BAGS.
- B. **SIGN TOPPERS** – IT WAS DETERMINED THAT WE SHOULD WAIT UNTIL AFTER OUR WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL EXPENSES ARE PAID BEFORE WE DECIDE HOW MANY SIGN TOPPERS TO ORDER.
- C. **FLAG PROGRAM** – THERE WERE 72 PARTICIPANTS IN THIS PROGRAM AS OF APRIL 29, 2011. FLAG HOLDERS WERE INSTALLED ON THE PARTICIPATING RESIDENTS PROPERTY THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 29TH. THE FIRST FLAGS WILL GO UP FOR MEMORIAL DAY. THEY WILL BE INSTALLED ON THE SATURDAY PRIOR TO MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 28TH, AND REMOVED THE SATURDAY AFTER, JUNE 4TH.
- D. **CURB ADDRESSES** –
- I. THIS ISSUE WAS BROUGHT UP BY THE CRIME PATROLLERS. MANY OF OUR RESIDENT'S HOUSES EITHER DO NOT HAVE THEIR ADDRESS ON THE CURB OR IT IS NOT LEGIBLE. THIS IS IMPORTANT FOR HELPING THE POLICE OR FIRE DEPARTMENT IN LOCATING A HOME IN EMERGENCIES.
 - II. **HPNA** IS EXPLORING SEVERAL SENARIOS:
 1. OFFER THIS AS A FREE SERVICE TO THE **HPNA** MEMBERS AND AT A DISCOUNTED RATE TO NON-MEMBERS.
 2. OFFER IT FREE TO ALL **HPNA** RESIDENTS.
 3. OFFER IT AT A DISCOUNTED RATE TO ALL **HPNA** RESIDENTS

THE DECISION WILL DEPEND ON **HPNA'S** BUDGET, WHAT KIND OF DEAL CAN BE NEGOTIATED WITH A VENDOR AND IF WE CAN GET ANY TYPE OF CITY/GOVERNMENT FUNDING.

- E. **QUICK TRIP UPDATE** – JANET INFORMED US THAT QUICK TRIP HAD RECENTLY PURCHASED ADDITIONAL PROPERTY AND THEY NOW OWN ALL PROPERTY FROM BELTLINE TO LOCKWOOD ON INGE STREET. THE NEW QUICK TRIP STORE WILL BE THEIR 'NEW GENERATION' STORE WITH 10 GAS PUMPS. THIS NEW STORE WILL HELP TO UPGRADE THIS AREA AND PROVIDE SOME GAS PRICE COMPETITION.

- F. **HPNA 2012 SCHEDULE** – JANET REVIEWED THE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 2012 TO ENSURE EVERYONE WAS IN AGREEMENT. BELOW IS THE APPROVED SCHEDULE:

- I. DECEMBER 2011 – MAIL POSTCARD TO RESIDENTS REGARDING THE JANUARY BUSINESS MEETING AND INCLUDE MEMBERSHIP INVOICES.
- II. JANUARY 2012 – ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING AND HPNA BOARD ELECTIONS (NO SPEAKER)
- III. APRIL 2012 – DELIVER NEWSLETTER WITH AD FOR WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL AND JULY GENERAL MEETING INFORMATION
- IV. MAY 2012 – SUMMER EVENT – WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL
- V. JULY 2012 – GENERAL MEETING – SPEAKER/PROGRAM
- VI. SEPTEMBER 2012 – NEWSLETTER WITH AD FOR OCTOBER FEST
- VII. OCTOBER 2012 – OCTOBER FEST AT HEIGHTS PARK

IN THE FUTURE WE WILL LOOK AT A JULY/AUGUST POOL EVENT/ACTIVITY ONCE THE NEW POOL AND RECREATION CENTER ARE COMPLETED.

- G. YARD OF THE MONTH – BELOW IS A LIST OF THE CURRENT JUDGES:
 - I. STEVEN DePUY - CHAIR
 - II. DAVID/JENNIFER VADEBONCOEUR
 - III. JOAN JOYCE
 - IV. LYNDA LEVERETT & FRANK NORRIS
 - V. MARGARET SCHOOLER
 - VI. SUSAN RECORD
 - VII. CHRIS MICHERO

- H. OLD RICHARDSON POST OFFICE – AN INVESTOR RECENTLY PURCHASED THE OLD POST OFFICE BUILDING AT THE CORNER OF CUSTER AND LOCKWOOD.