



MEREDITH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
Board Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2004
Bob & Dolores Wells Home / 4106 50th Street

Those in attendance were: Bob and Dolores Wells, Ken and Chris Craig, Lisa Shaw, Don Shaw, and Harold Rathert. Emily Chafa had a previous meeting, Sonja Crain and Mikki Kinning were not available, and Justin was on his honeymoon.

The Board Meeting was called to order by President Bob Wells at 7:07 pm. The agenda was approved and seconded. Previous meeting minutes were distributed by Secretary, Chris Craig and approved. Chris furnishes a copy to the Board by email prior to the meeting and distributes a paper copy at the actual meeting. Minutes are maintained in a permanent record book. Lisa Shaw took notes of the meeting and passed to Bob Wells.

Treasurer Report – Mikki Kinning emailed the report with an ending balance as of January 12 of \$4,946.09 which was approved.

Committee Reports:

Westchester Park Committee – Lisa Shaw reported that Bob Shaw is in the process of contacting the City for an update.

Membership Committee – No report.

Social Committee – No report. Chris Craig and the group went over the 2004 MNA calendar and updated the various projects and events for the new year. Chris will make changes and get a copy out to the Board members. Chris Craig volunteered to contact Hoover High School office to confirm the 2000-2005 meeting schedule using the cafeteria through May of 2005. Don Shaw has done in the past and said to contact Pat at the Hoover office.

Bob Wells and Don Shaw will be out of town during February and Lisa Shaw will not be available, so Ken Craig will be leading the February 10 Quarterly Meeting. Chris Craig will line up speakers, possibly Kelly Fisher of the Des Moines Police Dept who asked to talk at our next meeting and Gary Fox, City Traffic Engineer on the January 12 proposed City Council approving a new 4-way stop sign at 50th and Aurora and a reduction in speed to 25 mph. None of the members present had heard of the changes and mentioned their concerns that the MNA had not been informed that the petition was on the agenda.

Business Committee – Don Shaw will be completing his newsletter ads today. Bob Wells got one new ad and will complete his ads by the next day. Chris Craig confirmed that we had the right amount of ads for the Winter edition of the newsletter. The question was asked if we are getting too many real estate ads?

Communications Committee – Chris Craig reported that the Winter January newsletter issue is coming up ads and articles must be in by Friday, January 16. Chris can get it mailed by the end of the month. She sent an email to everyone who needs to submit an article or update. We need to promote our February 10 quarterly meeting. Mikki Kinning provided Christian Printer as a new vendor to contact for a possible lower price quote on our #6 remit envelopes that are inserted into each

Community Development Committee – Don Shaw reported he has been working with the Merle Hay Mall Association and also has been attending the Beaverdale Business Coalition group monthly meetings.

Nomination Committee – Lisa Shaw and Don Shaw will help assemble the group and ask Justin Gross and Emily Chafa to join the committee to start looking for candidates for President and Secretary 2002-2006 for the upcoming elections in May.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Monday, February 2 at 7:00 at Harold Rathert's home at 4007 47th Street. We need to move this meeting up one week to make arrangements for the February 10 Quarterly Meeting at Hoover.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Craig". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Finalized by Chris Craig, MNA Secretary 2002-2004