



## MEREDITH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

### Board Meeting Minutes

MAY 3, 2004

7:00 pm

Harold & Nancy Rathert's Home / 4007 47<sup>th</sup> Street / 276-5746

**Attendees** - Those in attendance were Harold and Nancy Rathert, Bob and Dolores Wells, Chris Craig, Lisa Shaw, Mikki Kinning, Justin Gross, Mike and Cynthia Seifer and Nancy Beltramo. Ken Craig was out of town, Sonja Cain was not available, Don Shaw was at a funeral and Emily Chafa had another meeting commitment. Thanks to Harold and Nancy for their four year's of serving on the Social Committee and for graciously asking to host the meeting.

**Call To Order** - The Board Meeting was called to order by Bob Wells at 7:10 pm. The Agenda was approved by Lisa Shaw and seconded by Harold Rathert. Previous meeting minutes were distributed by Secretary, Chris Craig with a motion to approve and seconded by Lisa Shaw. 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.

**Treasurer Report** - Mikki Kinning reported expenses of \$253.70 and revenue of \$180.00 which included 7 received memberships, advertising revenue of \$50.00 and donations of \$25.00.; ending balance as of May 3, 2004 is \$5,146.19.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Palm & Bel-Aire Street Islands** - Project Coordinator Nancy Beltramo reported that the city will work with MNA volunteers to level off the dirt and provide new landscape fabric and bark. Saturday, May 22 the city will show up and bring equipment and help. Discussion was held on how to get the neighbors to volunteer to help from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon. Justin suggested we tap into the high schools, Mikki suggested contacting the scout troops. Chris will do a neighborhood group email and Nancy suggested she put together a flyer to hand out or tape to doors on those streets. Mikki reported that she checked with Perfect Cut and estimated it would be about \$90 per month or \$1,000 annually to plant and maintain the islands if we turned the work over to a vendor. It was decided we would work with the city.

**Westchester Park Committee** - Lisa Shaw reported that we were waiting to her back on our application for the KCCI grant for \$3,000 to purchase additional park equipment for the 5-12 year old playground, but others heard that the grants were announced on TV and we were not a winner, No other updates on the park. Mikki noted that portable soccer nets are set up at the park.

**Membership Committee** - Justin Gross reported that Doug Romig has not gotten back with him on Welcome Basket giveaway items that the city can provide. Justin will follow up and has about 8-9 to get delivered.

**Social Committee** - Harold & Nancy Rathert have plans ready for the May 11 Annual Potluck and will provide all the service ware, coffee and water and decorate the table. Everybody is to bring a dish or dessert to share and Chris lined up Famous Dave's to donate and cater some BBQ fixings. Mike Seifer (and wife Cynthia) at 3937 48th Place / 252-6344 is the new Chair for this committee and he will start in May after Harold and Nancy pass on the supplies and responsibilities. Mike has a lot of ideas and suggestions like a bowling night at Plaza Lanes, roller rink skating, or an adult only night.

**Business Committee** - Ken Craig was not available for a report. Bob Wells will be turning over his ads as he is retiring from the committee as a sales rep. He would like to send a thank you for your business letter to those 5 advertisers and introduce the new salesperson.

**Communications Committee** - Chris Craig reported that the Spring / April newsletter issue was mailed out and provided extra copies.

**Community Development Committee** - Wayne Thomas reported Saturday, July 24 is the MNA **Scrub Day** at Hoover Parking Lot from 7:00 am to 12:00pm. We co-sponsor this community clean up event with the Merle Hay Neighborhood Association along with volunteers to man the project. Wayne will ask for volunteers at the May 11 annual meeting.

**Nomination Committee** - Lisa Shaw reported that the slate of names to be put into nomination for officers is Justin Gross for President and Chris Craig for Secretary. President Bob Wells had appointed the committee of Lisa Shaw, Justin Gross, Don

meetings as several have been lost or blown away. Lisa made the motion which was seconded by Justin and approved by the Board. Chris will add the colorful MNA logo to the new signs and submit a design to Signs Now for approximately \$30 each double sided.

**Polo and T-Shirts** – Chris Craig will order white polo shirts with the MNA embroidered logo for Justin (L), Mike (L) and Cynthia (S). Board members pay for their shirts at \$35.00 but that also included a new logo t-shirt. We order from T. Galaxy in Ames, IA who does our embroidery and screen printing of the 7 color logo.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:** Monday, June 14 at 7:00 pm at Mike & Cynthia Seifer home  
at 3937 48th Place / 252-6344

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

Quick notes summarized by Lisa Shaw.

Finalized by Chris Craig, MNA Secretary 2004-2006