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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of
Pemberton Heights Neighborhood Association
Wednesday, July 10, 2013

Pemberton Heights Neighborhood Association (PHNA) Board meeting held on Wednesday, July 10, 2013 at 6:30pm at the Howson Branch Library, 2500 Exposition Blvd., Austin, TX with the President presiding over the meeting.

Board members present:

- President: Craig Duewall
- Vice President: Carla Hatler
- Secretary: Betty Trent
- Treasurer: Corey Breed

Neighbors present:

- Loretta Fischer
- Jane Hayman
- Monnie Anderson
- Carolyn Beynon
- Rosanna Scaff
- Ron Grier
- Jeremy English
- Sally & Wayne Baker
- Phyllis York
- Margaret Anderson
- Jennifer Liu
- Biruta Kearl

1. Minutes of the May 12, 2013, Board meeting

- The minutes were approved unanimously.

2. Presentation of COA waterline work status in the neighborhood

- PH Phase 3: Presentation by Jill Mayfield and John Thompson, COA Water Utility
- The city is replacing water lines to provide reliable service, reduce leaks – Jill explained by the map which streets are affected.
- This work is water and wastewater work which was not part of the scope of previous work a few years ago.(mandated by EPA for leaking systems). This includes only lines that were tested and identified to fail in the near future. Typical work will involve 8” line size. Street lines will be done first; followed by the tie in to the meters at the property line (approx.. 8’ from curb). Meters not expected to be replaced.
- This will be a year-long project, residents should assume some disruption. City will attempt to minimize. Schedule – start Aug 1st; Complete July 14th . “No parking” will occur periodically for the work. Some tree trimming will be part of the work if trees hang down to within 12’. Work will require neighbors to address any irrigation and plants in the right of way in the 2’ wide line to the meter or clean-out. Assume 48 hours notice by door hanger for work and water disruption.
- Working hours anticipated are: 7am to 7pm, Monday – Friday ; Typically finished by 5:30pm

- Residents shouldn't expect pressure issues to be completely fixed, but may notice some improvement. Residents may need to run outside hose bib or bathtub (or alternately) to remove shower head and aerators to remove clogs after water is turned back on.
- Streets to be replaced, not patched at the end of the work. Street name tiles will be protected. If we can get info on damaged tiles, send to Jill. Will look into whether tile restoration could be added. Jill look into adding other city work damaged streets or gas work damaged streets
- Work will include water extensions to the triangles at Wooldridge and Gaston and Leigh and Jarrett.
- Homes between Gaston and Etheridge will get additional work to redirect the waste water.
- More info is available at Austin Water website – map under “Renewing Austin” by next week.

3. Treasurer's Report

- Corey and Sasha will attempt to make the treasurer's report more clear. Current balance will fund anticipated activities.

4. Security Committee Report

- Corey has reported that no crime was recorded by APD in the past month. The board discussed that there is no need to “renew” the contract every month. There is a 30-day cancellation policy, so if there is ever a need to cancel, we can under the current contract. Unanimous vote to discontinue discussing a “renewal” at every board meeting.

5. Committee Reports

- Bylaws and Policies:
 - Craig made a motion to postpone discussion of bylaws which was not seconded. Betty made motion to approve the draft w/ 3 friendly amendments. Seconded by Carla. Passed by majority
 - Betty, Carla, Corey voted yes.
 - Craig voted no.
 - Craig's motion to have Jane chair a committee to review the board policies was passed unanimously.
- The Board will post the bylaws on the website and get a notice in the Newsletter for a vote at end of August. The newsletter will include a ballot. Craig will create a statement summarizing the proposed bylaws changes for posting on the website.
- Social Committee – Picnic update:
 - P.Terry's will provide the food again this year.
 - Niki Faulkner will chair carriage rides.
 - A chance for a free carriage ride is proposed to encourage earlier RSVPs
 - The committee is exploring having music and bocce ball for older attendees
 - The committee is talking to sponsors
 - Corey Breed will follow up with Grande Communications for sponsorship.
- Website

- Carla has been migrating people by groups to the new Google Group that replaces the list serv. Few problems so far. New website will be ready to publish when list serve is complete.
- Triangles
 - Triangle expense has been \$50.00 for watering but may be more once more triangles are landscaped. Craig will chair the Triangles. Dalton Young and Corey Breed have volunteered to lead the effort to put a playground on the Hartford triangle.
 - Community Impact will have an article on the triangles in the August edition.

6. New Business

- Neighborhood watch started, Tina is chairing this effort.
- Tina has been keeping an away-from-home list. The Board commented they do not support a neighborhood watch away-from-home program for liability reasons, especially after hearing neighbors are checking properties and doors. The Board also commented that neighborhood watch volunteers should not leave their vehicles. If they see anything suspicious, they should contact 311.
- Monnie and Betty attended Wang and ANC meetings. ANC voted on a resolution to ask Council to reduce unrelated occupants in a dwelling to help reduce “stealth dorms”. ANC is also concerned about a change to allow the Planning and Zoning Commission to bring forward plan amendments.
- Monnie and Betty will work on a support letter to council re: parks budget

8. Consider questions and comments from neighbors in attendance.

- Monnie spoke about Improving Austin’s streams – The first phase on stormwater is complete. A coordination meeting will occur soon. Purpose is to reduce pollution at source. Strategies will be discussed, this program is run by the state, not city.
- Jane requested Board to review the netiquette policy and have it consistently monitored.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.