

AMBERWOOD NORTH COMMITTEE MEETING

FEBRUARY 15, 2006 7:00PM - 8:30PM

MEETING MINUTES

ACTIVE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE (IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER):

SECTION 1

Stacy Coomer
Bob Dieterle
Vickie Dieterle
Kieth Knight
Don Langlois
James Martinez
Jeanette Martinez
Bill Morris
Michael Morris
Ralph Rawe
Marion Rawe
Bill Townsend

SECTION 2

AJ Almanasier
Cheryl Duran
Gerhardt Hoehn
Debbie Norton
Gerd Scholz
Bill White

SECTION 3

Brian Barabe
Bob Briggs
Ed Campbell
Julie Galiszuski
Judith Garner
Shane Reichert
Kim Smith
Dale Xavier

COMMUNICATIONS

Judith Garner, Section 3 welcomed everyone and the many new members to the meeting. She announced that the Amberwood North Neighborhood Newsletter will now be published every two months (Jan/Feb, Mar/Apr, May/Jun, Jul/Aug, Sep/Oct, Nov/Dec), instead of every month due to the publishing and distribution time involved.

Schedule for the March/April Newsletter:

Article submittance deadline- March 24, 2006

Publication date- 1st week in April, 2006

Door-to-door deliveries by volunteer neighbors- 1st week in April, 2006

Regarding door-to door deliveries of the newsletter, Pat Smith created new "Delivery Zone Maps" which divide the neighborhood into twenty separate delivery zones. Volunteers who help deliver the newsletter can sign-up for one (or more) of the delivery zones. They will need to commit to getting the newsletters distributed to the homes within 1 to 3 days after receiving the bundled newsletters.

Zone 1: 41 Homes

Zone 2: 58 Homes

Zone 3: 26 Homes

Zone 4: 48 Homes

Zone 5: 31 Homes

Zone 6: 55 Homes

Zone 7: 87 Homes

Zone 8: 119 Homes

Zone 9: 58 Homes

Zone 10: 96 Homes

Zone 11: 51 Homes

Zone 12: 60 Homes

Zone 13: 80 Homes

Zone 14: 44 Homes

Zone 15: 51 Homes

Zone 16: 50 Homes

Zone 17: 61 Homes

Zone 18: 18 Homes

Zone 19: 71 Homes

Zone 20: 92 Homes

PLANNING SESSION FOR MARCH NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING WITH CITY OF CHANDLER

Dale Xavier, Section 3, moderated the group planning session which was a continuance from the planning session that took place during the February 7, 2006 Amberwood Committee Meeting. The attendees had last voted to decide the top five topics that we have for the City of Chandler which are: (1) Street Maintenance, (2) Property Maintenance, (3) Keep the Dumpsters in the Alleys, (4) Code Compliance, (5) Speeding. The attendees proceeded to address each topic one at a time in a group discussion. Dale asked everyone to formulate questions we will ask at the City meeting, by first thinking about each topic's "Cause" and "Effect". For example:

STREET MAINTENANCE TOPIC:

CAUSE	EFFECT
Streets need repair because they have become worn out by traffic wear & tear...	Degraded condition of the streets is not only rough to drive on but hurts property resale values because neighborhood streets look run down and not maintained.

After completing this process with each topic, it became apparent to everyone at the meeting that an hour plus can be easily taken up just discussing one of the topics with the City of Chandler at a Neighborhood Meeting! So the attendees decided that a series of meetings should be held with the City of Chandler over time, perhaps a meeting once a month or once a quarter, to address each topic individually.

Currently the City of Chandler's Solid Waste Department is in the process of surveying the Amberwood North Neighborhood regarding which type of trash service residents here will desire in the future. The options are: continued alley trash pick-up, or change to curbside trash service. The surveys are being mailed to residents in four phases, and over a four month period. The square mile has been broken up into routes. Each phase of surveying will include two routes at a time. The City has completed the first phase of surveys and will be embarking on the second phase of surveys shortly. Because this topic concerns everyone in the neighborhood, and surveys and discussions are taking place now, the attendees decided the first meeting in March with the City of Chandler will be regarding "Alley Trash Service versus Curbside Trash Service / Illegal Dumping and Other Alley Issues".

At this point, Dale suggested that volunteers form into five separate committees that will be working to formulate the questions that will be given to the City of Chandler at future meetings regarding each topic. The attendees decided to combine the topics of "Property Maintenance and Code Compliance" into one topic. Therefore, volunteers formed into the following four committees:

COMMITTEE #1: TRASH SERVICE, DUMPSTERS VS. CURBSIDE, AND OTHER ALLEY ISSUES-
AJ Almanasier, Brian Barabe, Stacy Coomer, Judith Garner

COMMITTEE #2: CODE COMPLIANCE AS RELATED TO PROPERTY MAINTENANCE-
Ed Campbell, Don Langlois

COMMITTEE #3: STREET MAINTENANCE-
Bob Briggs, Cheryl Duran, Debbie Norton

COMMITTEE #4: SPEEDING-
Judith Garner, Gary Hoehn

Committee #1 will be currently working to put together the March meeting with City of Chandler. Representatives will be invited from Solid Waste (regarding trash service issue), Police Department (regarding crime in alleys and illegal dumping), and Street Maintenance (regarding alley grading). The meeting is tentatively being scheduled for late March 2006. The entire Amberwood North Neighborhood will be notified by a mailing (if the City will pay for it) and a door-to-door flyer notice (printed by the City and distributed by volunteer residents). The meeting will be held at the Serrine Elementary School if the gym can be scheduled for use in late March.

The other Committees #2, #3, and #4 will be working to formulate the questions, regarding the other topics, for the future series of Neighborhood Meetings planned with the City of Chandler.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE AT THE NEXT MEETING!

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