

NWNA monthly meeting minutes, 6:30-8:30 P.M., We, 5 August 2009
International School of Tucson, c/o 715 E Lester ST
website: www.neighborhoodlink.com, enter 85705, click on our neighborhood

Members: Irara Edrington, Kathryn Foster James B Ray, J Vince Romero, Maurya Smith, Hannah Soreng and Armando Vargas.

Guests: Adam Smith, COT Planning & Development Services Department; and Ofcr Timpf, TPD.

1. Welcome & introductions. Armando opened the meeting at about 735pm, and we started with introductions. James R was the Acting Secretary. (Armando transcribed James' notes.) As submitted, the July 2009 minutes were approved by consensus. Hannah reported that the available balance is \$1064.41.

2. Ward III Liaison (Tamara was at the Mayor & Council meeting tonight). Adam Smith, COT Planning & Development Services Department, talked about the Feldman's NPZ and its historical status, and possible historical status for NWNA. A public hearing is scheduled for Th, 13 Aug 2009, to discuss the Feldman's NPZ.

3. TPD – Officer Timpf distributed a copy of the police statistics for NWNA coordinates. Timpf encouraged us to call 911 to report anything suspicious. The TPD will follow up on all calls. Reminder, Captain Wilson, the new West Division, will be at our September meeting (Wilson's schedule permitting).

NWNA concerns

4-a. Armando will query W3NA in how the other NA's greet new neighbors.

4-b. Mission Statement discussion – James K was not present. This item was tabled to the September 2009 meeting.

4-c. Environmental Planning Group consultant for Tucson Electric Power Company, final open house TBA.

4-d. Mansfield Park – Marty or Mike, neither were available.

Neighborhood Improvements updates

5-a. NWNA PCNR/COT Back to Basics project, chicanes & greenways. The second neighborhood project meeting is, Th, 10 Sep, at the International School of Tucson. Watershed Management Group, UA Drachman Institute, City and Pima County attending. The required petitions for these projects must be carried out soon. Share any ideas directly with Kimberly-Horn and Associates by contacting the two consultants: Vince.Catalano@kimley-horn.com and Rick.Solis@kimley-horn.com.

5-b. 4th/Fontana Avenues bike boulevard, RTA funded project. The first neighborhoods project meeting is, Tu, 18 Aug – ECNA, Feldman's and NWNA – at the Northwest Neighborhood Center at 6pm. Invited UA Drachman Institute. The second and final set of bike boulevard neighborhoods meetings will be in the latter half of September.

5-c. PRO Neighborhoods updates for the Bronx Wash.

i. Mural phase update – James K was not present. This item was tabled to the September meeting.

ii. Mural header panel text discussion – Hannah solicited suggestions for this panel in the Bronx Wash.

iii. Revegetation phase update -- Dan was not present. This item was tabled to the September meeting.

5-d. Grant RD Improvement Plan, the final set of open houses should be in September, dates TBA.

5-e. Kathryn plans to host a block party on her street and at home Fr, 14 Aug 09.

Other events/reminders

6-a. Sustainable Tucson meeting, We, 12 Aug 09, at 6 PM, Main Public Library, 101 N Stone Ave

6-b. MPNC meeting We, 12 Aug 09, at 6:30 P.M., at Parkside Terrace Apts, 2140 N 4th Ave

6-c. Public Hearing, Th, 13 Aug 09, Feldman's NA NPZ Overlay, at 6:30 P.M., M&C Chambers,

6-d. NTWS/NTC meeting Mo, 17 Aug 09, at 5:30 P.M., 1310 W Miracle Mile (TPD West Substation)

6-e. W3NA meeting We, 19 Aug 09, at 6:30 P.M., Ward III office, 1510 E Grant RD, water harvest

6-f. Ward III office, community conversation event later this month, date TBA.

6-g. Wildcat School, 25 E Drachman, classes start tomorrow, 6 August. Successful graduates go to UA.

6-h. Tucson presidio birthday month, the presidio was established 20 Aug 1775, www.tucsonsbirthday.org.

6-i. 4th Avenue Underpasses re-opens, Th, 20 Aug 09, at 4 P.M., celebration!

6-j. COT elections, September and November 2009. Remember to VOTE.

North Tucson Weed & Seed Cmte/Cmty, and North Tucson Coalition updates

7-a. The grant application being reviewed and budget TBA by the US Department of Justice.

7-b. North Tucson Coalition updates – officers to be elected.

8. Guests: Michelle Brubaker & Linda Drew, Lend a Hand, talked about the services available for the senior neighbors and volunteer opportunities this group has to offer. (The brochure has been scanned and posted to our website.)

Adjournment.

9. The meeting adjourned at about 8pm. The next meeting is We, 2 September 2009, at 6:30 P.M., at the IST.

