

NWNA monthly meeting minutes, 6:30-8:30 P.M., We, 3 February 2010, International School of Tucson, c/o 715 E Lester ST, website: www.neighborhoodlink.com, enter 85705, click on our neighborhood

Members present: Armando Vargas, Dan Dorsey, James Ray, Julie Summers, Alma Berkowitz, Barney P. Popkin, Cecilia Cruz, Carolina Cruz-Popkin

Guests present: Sgt Matt Dietzman – TPD, Tom Thivener – COT Department of Transportation, Aline Torres – COT Historical Preservation office

Welcome & Opening

- 1-a. Introductions – Armando opened the meeting at 6:38 PM
- 1-b. Tom Thivener told us about the Cyclovia bike event & street closure on April 18, and an update on the 4th/Fontana Avenues Bike Blvd project. Mass mailing soon for comments, and maybe construction by Fall 2010.
- 1-c. January 2009 minutes were approved by consensus
- 1-d. Special Election for new Treasurer was tabled until March
- 1-e. Treasurer's Reports – acting treasurer Armando gave us an update on our finances, \$13.90 general ledger, also recommended that the neighbors consider fund raising events to increase our funds separate from grants.

2. Ward III Liaison to NA meetings is suspended until further notice because of budgetary reductions purposes.

NWNA concerns

- 3-a. Draft Mission Statement discussion – tabled because James K was not present.
- 3-b. Because of current budget restraints on neighborhood meeting announcements and newsletters, it was agreed by the members present to save our one remaining mailing for the annual Meeting in May.
- 3-c. NW Neighborhood Center/Mansfield Park – Marty is being re-assigned and there are some layoffs
- 3-d. Ward III Water Conservation survey was handed out, Adam Springer, UA grad student (in absentia)
- 3-e. Some discussion took place on the 2010 Mortar Board Clean Event, Sa, 27 March, 9am-12noon. It was agreed that people would e-mail Armando their ideas for places to clean up within NWNA within three weeks.
- 3-f. An updated 6th AV/Linden ST pocket park watering schedule was discussed and passed around

TPD – SGT Matt Dietzman (new TPD liaison contact, 791-4467, West Div)

- 4-a. General TPD report
- 4-b. Discussion was held concerning the coyote that has been heard and seen in FNA & NWNA. Do NOT throw away food unless sealed properly from coyotes and feral cats.
- 4-c. The 215-217 E Lester, 9/10 Jan 2010 incident was discussed with SGT Dietzman

Neighborhood & Community Improvements updates

- 5-a. PRO Neighborhoods updates for the Bronx Wash – 6th/Linden. Dan reported we passed our final City inspection on the pocket park.
- 5-b. TEP 138 kV line, another Community Work Group meeting, TBA (in February 2010)
- 5-c. Information on the Old Pueblo Community Svcs, rehabilitation of owner occupied homes within Ward III was passed around.

Other events/reminders

- 6-a. Sustainable Tucson meeting, Mo, 8 Feb 10, at 5:45 P.M., Main Public Library, 101 N Stone Ave (food)
- 6-b. MPNC meeting We, 10 Feb 10, at 6:30 P.M., at Parkside Terrace Apts, 2150 N 4th Ave (agenda online)
- 6-c. W3NA meeting We, 17 Feb 10, at 6:30 P.M., Woods Library, 3455 N 1st Avenue
- 6-d. NTWS/NTC meeting, Mo, 22 Feb 10, waiting for 2010 grant application, step three.
- 6-e. OARP meeting, We, xx Feb 10, at 530pm, the College Place, 1601 N Oracle RD
- 6-f. Ward III office, community conversation with Karin Uhlich, TBA.

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

- 7-a. 2009 Grant application not funded by DOJ. Submitted the 2010 grant application, step two.
- 7-b. North Tucson Coalition updates – officers to be elected. Tom Huels, presiding officer.

8. Draft NWNA Mission Statement discussion session tabled until the March meeting.

9. Aline Torres, COT Historical Preservation Office, historical status information and SB 1166, and W3NA action. On the behalf of all NA's within Ward III, the W3NA requested the UA Drachman Institute conduct a study of what is possible for historical status districts. NAs' boundaries and historical district boundaries can differ from each other. SB 1166 will omit the tax credit for historical districts if it passes and signed into law. Many NWNA homes might be eligible for historical status. It can cost \$300 per home for the historical status application to the state historical office.

10. Adjournment.

The next meeting is We, 3 March 2010, at 6:30 P.M., at the IST.