

# VHM Quarterly meeting and pot-luck

1/21/2009  
6:30 pm  
Four Mile Community Center

Meeting called by: Harlan Donaldson @ 7:23 pm      Type of meeting: Quarterly

Secretary: Brenda Peel

Please read: List of functions and sign up sheets. Garage Sales, Street Clean, Scrub Day, Building something in the Park.

## Agenda

Pot Luck

Guest Speakers

Motion to approve minutes from Oct meeting: Brenda did not have the notes with her so this will be forwarded to the next meeting. They are posted on the website.

Neighborhood Boundaries: Continue to April meeting.

Move Checking Account and balance:

Old Business: Need a motion and vote (again) to make dues payable in Jan of each year.

New Business:

Next Board meeting at:

Time and date: 6:30 at Carol's or David's house

Next Quarterly meeting at: 4 Mile Center

Time and date: 6:30 April 16<sup>th</sup>

Adjourn: 8:03 pm

## Additional Information

Special notes:

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**Pot Luck**

**All**

Discussion: Wonderful food. Thank you all.

Sign up on the signup sheets if you are interested in helping. It doesn't mean you need to run it, just help.

Conclusions:

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline:

## Guest Speakers

Discussion: Brian Meyer – Ward 4 Des Moines City Council, [bimeyer@dmgov.org](mailto:bimeyer@dmgov.org), 333-0590

Jim Nelson – NID neighborhood inspector. Takes care of junk, debris, parking issues, apartment inspections. Knob Hill has an issue with so many cars on the street that the garbage can may be blocked for pickup. Garbage man will attempt to get it. If the garbage does not get picked up, we need to talk to them. With the snow, there is not a lot of extra room for cars or cans.

Guard rail or something on Winegardner so people don't fall into the ditch. This project is being reviewed and will be brought up again in warmer weather.

Rick – EBK on post by new guard rail. Not sure what it means, but he will investigate. There is graffiti on the back of the mansion also.

Silver Nissan was impounded before Christmas. It had never been licensed. It is now properly licensed, but the license is in the window and registered to a different address.

Shallee Keenan – neighborhood resource office, program coordinator. [Skeenana@dmneighborhoodresources.org](mailto:Skeenana@dmneighborhoodresources.org), 280-1807

Leadership classes are available, help with newsletters, printing. They are developing a cookbook that will be sold to cover operating expenses for neighborhoods such as printing our fliers, postage, etc. Check their website to fill out a recipe form. [www.Dmneighbors.org](http://www.Dmneighbors.org). This is for all neighborhoods. They have information for free tax preparation, a monthly newsletter

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## Neighborhood Boundaries

Discussion: carry to next meeting

3 options are: no changes, joining with another neighborhood and adding new members from an area that is not currently in any neighborhood

Conclusions:

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Person responsible:

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## Moving Checking Account

Discussion: not moved yet. Still working on paperwork necessary.

Vote to confirm the neighborhood dues are \$10 and due in January each year. If you join at the October meeting, that will count toward the following year because it is so late in the year. Vote motioned, seconded and passed.

Treasurers report: \$70 deposit. \$568.75. Need to be reimbursed for ham and money for DM neighbor association dues. Motion made and seconded. Vote passed

Conclusions:

Action items:

Dues are due tonight.

Person responsible:

Deadline:

## Park

Discussion:

Like to add a shelter, grill, surround around swings so the sand isn't washed away. Port a potty and surround for it.

Conclusions:

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## Williams Curve

Discussion:

Conclusions:

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline:

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Pass signup sheets around. Talked about how the projects have run in the past so you know what to expect now.

Harlan plans to have guests at the next meeting to discuss home and land improvements for your property.

Bill Stowe will be talking about Private property protection program at the DM neighborhood association meeting.

We want to start a newsletter. Does anyone have ideas what to put in it?

- Mary volunteers at the city greenhouse and they are having an open house.
- Food drive for food bank at local church.

We should do the potluck again.