

McKinley Community Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 15th, 2010, 6:30 p.m. – Center for Families Room #22

Present: Ricky Venson, John Hemp, Blake Zochert, Jessica Williams, Jonathan Rich, Rick Maas, Tammie Moore, Barbara Kennedy, Yenviset Xiong, Chris Morris (Staff). Renee Allen (Community Member)

1.) Opening: Ricky Venson, Chair

Meeting called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Board Chair.

2.) Consent Agenda:

a.) Motion made, seconded and unanimously to approve the proposed agenda for this meeting.

b.) Motion made, seconded and unanimously to approve minutes from the February meeting with specified changes.

3.) Discussion Items & Votes: Various

a.) 2010 Budget: Proposed 2010 budget presented for Board review.

1. It was noted that the funds for training have already been expended. It was agreed that, if needed, funds would be transferred from other program areas.

2. It was noted that the funding for Events could fluctuate, specifically due to annual variations in National Night Out Block Club participation.

3. Motion made, seconded and unanimously to approve the proposed 2010 Budget.

b.) Emergency Meeting (11 March): During this emergency meeting the Board reviewed the applicable by-laws (Article II and Article III) and determined:

1. The Vote which occurred at the Community Meeting was not valid based on the requirements in Article III, Section 4 of the by-laws. A Quorum of the Members present did not vote.

2. Motion made (Rich), seconded (Maas) and approved (abstentions: Kennedy, William) to accept the above determination.

c.) Financial Policies:

1. The Board reviewed and discussed changes to financial policies which were developed by the Ad Hoc Financial Committee in response to the recent Audit.

2. Motion made, seconded and unanimously to approve the changes to McKinley financial procedures.

d.) Spring Cleaning Day: Staff provided a general over view of this event.

1. Preferred dates were established as – first 19 June and secondly 12 June.

2. Noted that better publicity is needed for this event.

3. Staff will find out if tire and metal trucks can be added.

4. Motion made, seconded and unanimously to approve a budget of up to \$350

for this event.

e.) Park Improvement: On 20 May, 0900-1300? there will be a Community Build project at Perkins Hill Park. Best Buy volunteers (100?) will also participate in this event. The volunteers will build new play ground equipment and refurbish tables and benches.

1. Motion made, seconded and unanimously to approve a budget of up to \$150 to sponsor a cook out for this event.

2. Staff reported that the Dog Park idea is still moving positively.

f.) Annual Community Meeting and Elections: 5 April at 1900, Center for Families

1. Guest speakers from the Park Board are anticipated and representatives from NRP will assist in election monitoring.

2. A sign in sheet will be used to insure the eligibility of voters based on the listed address. Ballots will be issued to eligible voters at that point.

3. A list of tasks for Board Member participation will be distributed soon.

4. The CSA program will be covered as part of the agenda.

5. The web site will be presented as part of the agenda.

6. Motion made, seconded and unanimously to approve a budget of up to \$75 to refreshments for this event.

g.) Web Site: Up date from Committee.

1. The draft sent by Mr. Sullivan was deemed unacceptable. The level of work accomplished did not meet contractual guidelines. It is anticipated that Mr. Brandon will quit the project rather than meet obligations.

2. The Committee will request a refund or restitution and advise Board if legal action is required.

3. The Committee will use the remaining budgeted funds to hire Mr. Van Ek to complete the required coding and has arranged for a volunteer to do the design work.

4. The web site will be ready for presentation at the Annual meeting.

h.) Attendance Policy: In discussion of this issue the Board determined:

1. The by-laws as written are adequate.

2. If an absence is determined by the Executive Committee to be unexcused then that absence will be recorded in the appropriate monthly meeting minutes.

4.) Financial Review: John Hemp, Board Treasurer

a.) Financial documents were presented for review. After a short discussion about the format of the reports a motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the January 2010 financial reports.

5.) Staff Update: Morris

a.) A new Crime Prevention Interns program grant has received initial approval. Full approval anticipated soon.

b.) The CSA has applied for a \$10,000 grant from The Wedge COOP. If approved it will be used for equipment and a shed.

c.) A letter to the LRTA in support of the Lowery Avenue option will be sent by the

Staff.

d.) Two shares have currently been sold for the CSA.

e.) The Community has 50 motion lights available. They will be handed out at the Annual meeting..

f.) NRP Phase II – a meeting will be held 24 March. Public meetings will be held during the summer. McKinley needs to nominate a new Board member for NRP.

g.) Zochert Enterprises Open House raised \$250 that were donated to the Community

h.) Lowry Avenue – The contractor is addressing problems identified in previous meetings. Overall opinion is that the project is moving in a positive manner. Inter-Agency cooperation is also proceeding well.

i.) Bids for art on the Community trash cans will be received next week.

j.) Bids for street signs are still in process. Anticipate \$20 or so per sign. The City will place them on existing poles for about \$3. New poles considerably more expensive.

k.) Crime and Safety Committee meeting on 22 March.

l.) New raffle through Thrivent anticipated. No details at this time.

m.) NRP offers a budgeting course which Staff will attend.

8.) Motion, seconded and unanimous vote to adjourn at 8:35 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Jonathan Rich on 04/05/10.