

Whitland Area Neighborhood Association
Annual Meeting
Blakemore UMC Fellowship Hall
23 February 2012

In attendance: please see attached sign-in sheet
Also see attached Agenda

The main purpose of tonight's meeting was to elect new officers for the 2012 calendar year.

The slate of officers are:

Kevin Stack, President

Melanie Block, Vice President

Denise Hawkins, Secretary

Frank Smith, Treasurer (volunteered at the meeting)

Steering Committee Members: Jessica Deerkoski, Kirk Davis, Revell Michael, Dianne Neal, Anne Carr,
Tonya Rush, John Lott, Bob Lyons, Jessica Trimble

A motion was made to accept the above slate of officers and steering committee member and was second.
We voted and it was passed unanimously.

Julie Walker spoke briefly about a meeting she had with Sgt. Twana Chick, Community Affairs Officer for MNPD recently and she made a list of recommendations received at the meeting. She will send them to be posted on the Listserv.

Speeding and traffic calming measures for the neighborhood were discussed and we'd like to get a traffic calming committee in place this year to address measures such as additional 4-way stop signs, lower speed limits, etc. There is a volunteer sign in sheet being circulated at the meeting. Penny Harrington mentioned that there was a major Metro Traffic study done some years ago and she served on the committee. She recommended that we get a copy of the full report.

Mark Thomas who designed the plans for improvements to be reviewed for the creek spoke briefly about some of the features of his overall plan. He emphasized that not everything on the plan would be necessary and that much of it could be done over a longer range time frame. Anne Carr mentioned the importance of establishing a process in making decisions - - a formal way to have input from all the neighbors.

Joel Covington spoke briefly about membership in the Richland Creek Watershed Alliance and their importance and good work for our community. He had brochures available if additional information is requested. Joel was happy we are focusing a lot of our efforts on the creek, a tributary of Richland Creek, which runs through our neighborhood. Membership dues in RCWA is \$15 per year.

Jessica Deerkoski spoke about the need for having a Home Tour this year as it is our greatest source of revenue which allows us to go forward on so many projects and events we host for the neighborhood. We need help in all areas. Someone in the audience requested that we post on the Listserv a listing of the various jobs related to putting together the Home Tour and the approximate hours involved in each task. In this way, we might get more volunteers to do specific jobs if they had more information about each one.

Denise Hawkins spoke briefly about the 2010 and 2011 recipients of the Good Neighbor Award. Harry Walters was awarded a \$50 gift certificate to Outback Steakhouse for his regular trips around the neighborhood to clean out debris from the stormwater drains and Butch Lueker was awarded a \$50 Bates Nursery gift certificate for halting a crime in progress during the early morning hours back in the fall of 2011.

Meeting Adjourned

