

Capitol View-Stift Station Neighborhood Association Meeting
June 11, 2013
2715 W. 7th Street – 7:00 pm
Minutes

Call to order:

Teresa Penny called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes of the May 13, 2013 minutes.
Minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

Sophie Mitchell reported that the general balance was \$3349.23.
There was a \$150 donation from the Oyster Bar for Good Neighbor Night.

Hospitality:

Bart Patton said there were no welcome baskets distributed.

Public Safety Report:

Ian Hope continues covering graffiti.
He reported on an effort to remove vagrant camps on 3rd Street and Garland Street.

Ofcr. Kelly Crace talked to Mayor Stodola, Bryan Day, Stacy Hurst and Warwick Sabin about determining the owners of the vagrant areas and having pods removed.

Alert Center:

Officer Crace reported on code enforcement issue. He said the mayor would be touring May 14 or 15.

Kathleen Countryman said code enforcement sent notice to property owners in the cul de sac area at 3rd and Schiller to clean up their lots. Code enforcement went in and cleaned them at a price of \$800.00, which will be attached to the lien.

Warwick Sabin said he will get with the mayor, city manager, code enforcement and Stacy Hurst and Union Pacific (UP) about cleaning up.

There was discussion of Nancy Sheehan meeting with the Franklins from UP and the condition of the homeless camps and marking a boundary to begin work on the Rose Creek Trail.

Brent Stamps volunteered to chair the Neighborhood Improvement and Property Standards Committee.

He will be giving attention to the Woodruff Street corridor.

Teresa Penny reported on the movement of property on SE side of Woodrow and I-630. Mark Abernathy has sold the land and surveys are ongoing.

Discussion on having representatives go to the Board of Adjustments meeting.
Kathleen said the neighborhood should be notified if those issues are on the agenda..

Teresa Penny said the cable company is putting up fiber optics on Woodrow Street going to schools.

Bart Patton led a discussion about complaints on the Yahoo mailing list about Dr. Gary Harper's building on Woodrow Street.
Nothing can be done if the building is boarded and secured.

Kathleen reported that the Love Your Block grant had officially started. There will be 28, \$1,000 grants, four in each ward. City staff will hold a session June 13, 6-7 pm at the Willie Hinton Center in Little Rock to provide information on grants.
The deadline for applications is 5 pm, June 28.

Teresa asked for volunteers for the neighborhood association table at the Brooks Robinson event at Lamar Porter Field, June 15.

Special Guest:

Representative Warwick Sabin.
Sabin gave an overview of the last legislative session.
Historic session – longest since 1931, over 100 days. First time Republican controlled houses in legislature since 1938.

Issues covered:

Expansion of Medicaid
Women's rights and guns
Funding of a steel mill through Amendment 880
Tax cuts paid for by Medicaid expansion.
Constitutional amendment on ethics reform authored by Sabin.
Establishing independent citizens' commissions to set elected official salaries.
College scholarships

Meeting adjourned 8:00