

Capitol View / Stiff Station Neighborhood Association Meeting

June 8, 2009

2715 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street @ 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

- 1) The meeting opened with those in attendance introducing themselves and telling what they like about the neighborhood.
- 2) The minutes of the April meeting were approved. Becca Gardner moved and Gene Davis seconded that the minutes be accepted. The motion was approved unanimously.
- 3) In Evelyn's absence Kathleen reported that there is \$2,780.56 in the General Account and \$913.78 in the Public Safety Fund.
- 4) Rebecca Kilmer gave a report on the Rose Creek Trail. She and Hugh went to the BACA (Bicycle Advocates of Central Arkansas) meeting. Money is being raised to convert the Choctaw Railroad Bridge by the Clinton Library into part of the trail network, although it won't be done for a couple of years. Rebecca and Hugh talked about the Rose Creek Trail, and it appeared that there was a lot of support and excitement for it.
- 5) Nancy Sheehan reported on the Woodruff Garden. She said that the garden looks gorgeous and that people are starting to harvest produce. She also reported that there will be a work day this Saturday.
- 6) Kathleen reported that there has been no response yet to our Challenge Grant application.
- 7) Kathleen reported on her trip to NUSA in Spokane, Washington. She reported on some interesting statistics comparing the number of police officers (LR = 500, Spokane = 250) and code enforcement officers (LR = 15, Spokane = 5). She reported that parks are heavily used for daily activities, and not just planned special events. Kathleen said that many of the sessions focused on learning about how to host NUSA, since Little Rock will be hosting it in 2010. Kathleen is on the Workshop Committee for NUSA in Little Rock.
- 8) National Night Out will be held the first Tuesday in August, August 4<sup>th</sup>. We will be getting some grant funding to supplement any donations. We have had an offer of having it in the space behind Star Bar, where they are hoping to have a patio. Rebecca asked for volunteers to meet separately on planning National Night Out. The owners of Star Bar, Kathleen, Becca, and Sophie Mitchell will work on it.
- 9) Cul-de-Sac Mural. Chris Sutton gave a report and a PowerPoint presentation on possible mural projects. The mural area is 90 feet long. Some possible themes include nature and trees or a skyline of Little Rock. The size of the space will require about six gallons of paint, and the majority of the work necessary will be required to prepare the wall for the mural. One possible design which was presented included a trolley, city skyline, people on a bicycle, and other things that represented our neighborhood.
  - There was a need for approval of the project and the budget (up to \$800) for paint and graffiti sealer and food for the volunteers.

- Discussion and questions focused on the cost of the budget and that it appeared to be rushed through without much input. Also, some discussion was had on the final content of the mural.

- Sophie Mitchell moved to proceed with the mural and spend up to \$800 to fund it. Holly Hope seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

10) Kathleen reported that the Fair Park Neighborhood got signs from [www.supercheapsigns.com](http://www.supercheapsigns.com) and after posting them around their neighborhood, the attendance rose dramatically. Kathleen and Hugh will look at that for our neighborhood.

11) Rebecca reported that she will be stepping down as president and Becca will be taking over. There is a need to look for new officers for the end of the year.

12) Meeting adjourned.