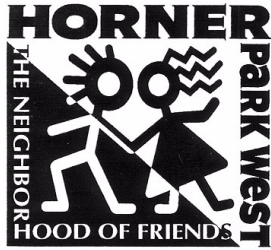


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1. Call to Order – 7:43 PM
In attendance: Gretchen Helmreich, Libby Karier, John Friedmann, Jose Ronchetta.
2. Scheduled Guest – Breakroom Brewery
Aaron Heineman presented his plans for Breakroom Brewery and requested the HPWNA Board write a letter to Ald. Mell in support of his project.
In brief, his plans are to open New Year's Eve. The main entrance will be just east of the existing garage door (it now is a window). He is pursuing LEED certification with geothermal heating/cooling; solar panels for hot water. The occupancy will be 97 people; although they are pushing for a maximum of 130. Daily hours will be 4pm to midnight, initially; changes might occur based on customer demand. (For example, opening earlier on Fridays). There will be a brunch from 10-3 on Saturday and Sunday with live music (blues/jazz on Saturday; calypso on Sunday) but overall he promises it will be a quiet venue.
Re: Parking. He says it will be on-street parking but employees will have access to the 7-11 lot.
His long-term goal is to take over the other half of the building to expand brewery production, not the restaurant. There are no plans now for any roof access.
Note: he said he still needed 'a couple more investors' before any construction could start.
There was a suggestion of a neighborhood 'hard hat' event at the shop during construction.
3. Approval of Minutes
 - a. June 19, 2013 Meeting – Approved.
 - b. July 10, 2013 Meeting – Approved.
4. Treasurer's Report: \$1,182.73
5. Meetings Attended
 - a. 33rd Ward Advisory Council
No updates this month.
 - b. CAPS
Sgt. Munin said they would look into the July 23 shooting, but had nothing to report at the meeting.
The illegal garage sale continues; apparently the patrol cars were sent to the wrong alley, but the police will follow up



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- c. NRC and NRC Albany Park SSA
No updates this month.
 - d. HPAC
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Gretchen had reached out to Ald. Mell regarding the riverbank project and the dog-friendly area. The Ald. suggested holding another neighborhood meeting on the DFA Sept. 18. We discussed linking it with the riverbank project, under the broader 'Horner Park changes' banner.
John was to reach out to Peter of HPAC to see about setting up another meeting with the Army Corps of Engineers on the riverbank project
 - e. Bateman LSC
Gretchen said CPS cut \$450,000 in the school's budget for the current school year
6. Committees
- a. Social
Neighborhood Block Party post mortem: Overall a success. Discussion was whether to hold it on the same block next year (since we've already engaged those neighbors) or move it to a more central block. There was agreement that wherever we hold it, we need engagement by several houses on the block – for grills; trash/recycling; electrical; hoses; or other needs.
Libby will write the thank-you letters.
We discussed what to do for an October event; and how to carry TGIF through the winter. But no plans were set.
 - b. Gretchen suggested a 'meet the elected officials' night, and said she would spearhead that.
 - c. Beautification
 - i. August Clean Up is Saturday, August 17, 2013, 10:00 AM
7. Forward Progress – Not discussed.
- a. September HPWNA Members' Meeting
 - b. Looking ahead – Spring General Meeting
8. New Business – None.
9. Adjourn – 9:41 PM