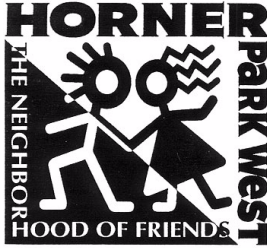


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### HPWNA Board Meeting – Wednesday, December 11, 2013 Minutes

1. Call to Order – 7:35 PM  
In attendance: Gretchen Helmreich, Libby Karier, Glenn Swift, Mark Mullen, Erin Engstrom, Kathryn Pensack
2. Approval of Minutes
  - a. November 13, 2013 Meeting – Approved with minor corrections.
3. Treasurer's Report: The balance was 1733.60; outstanding payment of \$44.33 for the printing of the party flyer.
4. Meetings Attended
  - a. CAPS – Beat 1724  
A woman walking her dog was attacked by 2 unleashed pit bulls in the 4500 block of North Sacramento (both are recovering). There also was another attack, by a single dog, in the 4300 block of North Troy.  
There has been a problem with vagrants in the alley along 4400 N. Albany, behind the commercial buildings.  
The phony electric company scam is on again. You know the person is not legit if they ask to see a recent bill (they get your account number off the bill and switch you to another company without your authorization).
  - b. NRC  
There were lots of people at the 2014 planning meeting. The targets for the year are encouraging business and economic development; flood abatement; and to market the neighborhood schools better. Their focus will be on doing big things, not smaller projects.
  - c. HPAC  
No update.
  - d. Bateman LSC  
About 160 people turned out for the 'investigation day'. Also, Principal Baccellieri will be speaking at the TRIP meeting as well as the principal of Patrick Henry on the importance of neighborhood schools.
  - e. Others  
Business Updates: 2 items. There will be a strip mall going in at the corner of Sacramento and Montrose. Ald. Mell is working with the owner to see if the neighborhood can be involved in the types of businesses that go in there. The owner never took care of the underground fuel tanks. The southwest corner of Lawrence & Kimball will become a Walgreens (no drive through). There are



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hopes that Walgreens will repurpose the existing building (Aldermen Mell and Colon are working with the company) rather than do a tear-down.

#### 5. Committees

##### a. Social

##### i. Holiday Party

Gretchen obtained a gift certificate from Smalls.

Flyering: Looks like 750 flyers is the magic number to make sure the blocks are covered.

##### ii. Party schedule 2014

We tentatively set the spring/block/holiday parties in June, August and December.

##### iii. TGIF 2014 – First Fridays

We're targeting the first TGIF of 2014 to be the first Friday in April (weather permitting.) It will be at Mark & Mary's house.

##### b. Beautification

##### i. Winter Clean Ups

For January, it will depend on weather. If a thaw, a cleanup; or sewer grate clearing.

##### ii. Spring Clean Ups – Second Saturdays

March 9 will be the first block cleanup. Mark is taking over scheduling/posting of the cleanups.

#### 6. Forward Progress

##### a. Coalition of Area Associations – On hold.

##### b. Spring General Meeting – Proposed date = May 21<sup>st</sup>

The room had not yet been booked because Libby hadn't been able to contact Tom. But ideas still are an introduction to the new restaurants; ways to be green and save money.

##### i. Neighborhood food

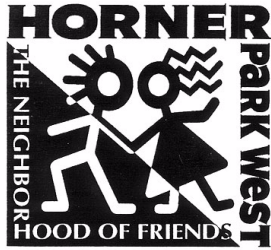
##### ii. New businesses

##### iii. Green Initiatives

##### c. Business Update: Iron Cycles: moved out of its location; broke the lease and left. The landlord is negotiating with a couple other possible tenants (including the NRC).

##### d. 2014 HPWNA Goals

##### i. Canvass the neighborhood: we have 60-70 people on the e-mail list, but there are far more people in our area. We'll probably have to go door to door to get more and spread the word about HPWNA.



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- ii. Update the website: Erin will do (probably in April)
  - iii. Monthly updates: We need to get the word out more frequently about what we do, without the expense of a printed newsletter. Libby will create a template of HPWNA highlights. This will give key points on issues in the neighborhood and list the upcoming events
  - e.
7. Old Business
- a. Postal Carrier Letter – Moving mailboxes
8. New Business
- a. Erin was elected a Board Member at Large, filling the vacancy left by Bill Ystrom's resignation.
  - b. Burger King (Mozart and Irving Park) is rebuilding. They asked for a zoning variance, probably to change the drive-thru.
9. Adjourn – 8:47 PM

Next meeting is January 8, 2014.