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Monday April 15th, 2019 6:00 PM First Ev. Lutheran 743 S. Monroe Ave. Green Bay WI Minutes

## **Board members:**

Present: Ron Dehn, Pres.; Eric Vandeveld, V.Pres.; Pastor Paul Schleis, Sec./Treas.;

Deby Dehn, Kathleen Johnson, Cheryl Renier-Wigg

Absent: Katie Houle (not continuing on Board. Thanks, Katie, for all your work!)

Guests: Alderman Galvin, Officer Van Handel, Cty. Bd. Supervisor Hoyer

## I. Board Monthly Meeting, 6:00 PM

1. Approve March meeting minutes

*M/S/C* to approve the March minutes.

2. Approve Treasurers Report for March-April

*M/S/C* to approve the March-April minutes.

Our Treasurer also stressed keeping the debit card use by himself, always to be reported monthly, unless a larger amount specifically approved.

3. Eric – Mailing List Update

On to Square Space, about \$5/mo. in the future.

4. Kathleen asked the Board members to pre sign thank you cards for the Easter egg hunt.

## II. ANA Annual Meeting, 6:30 PM

**A. Welcome to Neighbors** (about 55-66 present)

All were invited to sign in, and be willing to volunteer for various activities in the neighborhood.

## B. Announcements, Committee Reports, and Special Guests –

- 1. Approval of Annual Financials Pastor Paul Schleis
- 2. Election of Board Members

New: Dr. Skip Heverly, Denise Parsley, Emilie Heil

Present: Ron Dehn, Eric Vandeveld, Pastor Schleis, Deby Dehn, Kathleen Johnson, Cheryl-Renier Wigg

M/S/C to elect new members, and re-elect past Board members. Thanks!

3. Officer Paul Van Handel – Neighborhood update

Discussion of speeding tickets: less than last year, and hope this means improvement. Very small number of burglaries, thefts, and property complaints in the neighborhood. Taking away disturbance numbers at the hospitals, very small numbers in the whole neighborhood.

Officer Van Handel talked about new programs and approaches to help the homeless.

Ongoing discussion about crossing safety on Monroe (esp. around Aldo) and Webster. Education is key about yielding to pedestrians, not being distracted when driving. (a "Rosendale attitude" needed!). A task force is forming at Aldo Leopold.



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- 4. Slide show presentation of Astor Events, by Deby: will try to have Wine Tasting in mid Jan. 2020, annual Board meeting, monthly meetings, Easter egg hunt, historical lamp post grant (next proposal due by May 6 2019), possible "shredding" event, Popcorn in the Park, movie night, If Homes Could Talk (next Sept. 14 2019), possible Beer Garden in October; projects to restore boat project on Fox River, landscaping by the Astor sign, articles for the Astor Outlook newsletter
- 5. Alderman Galvin mentioned the high costs to the city concerning the recent East River flooding. Also, pieces seem to be falling into place to move the coal piles, in a few years.
- 6. Presentation on Certified Local Government, Certificate of Appropriateness, and Financial information for the Astor Neighborhood (Stephanie Hummel, Jason Flatt) Process has been moving more quickly for residential owners, going to Landmark meetings more for commercial properties. Questions about what makes a home a historic home, eligible for tax credits and low interest loans. Discussion about what can be done to keep neighborhood homes from decaying. Demolition by neglect ordinance can help.

Adjournment, 8:00 PM.

Our next ANA Board Meeting will be Monday May 20th, 2019.

Respectfully submitted, Pastor Paul Schleis, secretary/treasurer