Minutes

Astor Neighborhood Association, Inc. – Mon., January 18, 2010 – 6:00 PM

Howe Neighborhood Family Resource Center, 526 S. Monroe Ave, Green Bay

1) ROLL CALL

Present: J. Frank, President; C. Kime, Vice President; P. Schleis, Secretary/Treasurer; J. Danen, J. Sharp, A. Higgins, J. Schwenk, Skip Heverly, B. Weycker, M. Van Handel

Absent (excused): J. Weycker

Visitor: Chris Jenguin

2) APPROVAL OF December 2009 MINUTES

3) TREASURER'S REPORT/BILLS

M/S/C to approve the December 2009 minutes, and January 2010 Treasurer's report.

4) INVITED GUESTS

- a. Tony Theisen, Alderperson: absent
- b. Officer Paul Van Handel: burglary to Skogg Real Estate. One suspect in jail, most of the property recovered from a duplex at 637 S. Jefferson. Pastor Schleis mentioned a "visitor" staying overnight in First Lutheran, 743 S. Monroe Ave., Dec. 26-27. No damage or theft.
- c. CSI Gabby: some places that had not shoveled out their sidewalks well. Notices were given.

5) ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Newsletter: The Winter newsletter did get out by Jan. 09. Mark Anderson has retired from putting our newsletter together, and was not willing to continue, even if we paid him. Thanks for your past work, Mark! The designer from The Printer will be used for now. Joann will continue with the newsletter, but only short term. Jamie has agreed to take it over. Thanks, Jamie! Late Feb. would be the deadline for an early March newsletter. We agree to have a later newsletter, and a flyer for the March 15 annual meeting and April 03 Easter egg hunt.
- b. Holiday Decorating Contest: no report.
- c. Wine Tasting: Sat., Jan. 30. About 75 registered so far. Music procured for both houses by Dave Duffy. Table linens secured. Food and donations are coming in well, as well as raffle prizes. Opichkas and Brandts are hosting. Volunteers needed for house clean up (8:30, 10:15 PM).

6) OLD BUSINESS

a. Hazelwood Membership/ Sponsorship: A \$500 check has been written out to the Brown Co. Historical Society, but we were unsure exactly how to split the funds. Christine Dunbar was contacted, and was considering some options for us. The ANA Board is very welcome to have meetings at Hazelwood. An open house for our ANA neighbors, after the May bus tour, would be available. Jacqueline Frank will be meeting with Christine, and will sort out the details.

b. Strategic Planning: Jacqueline distributed a sheet that summarized the priorities back in the Spring 2008 Action Plan. It was recommended to provide a list of contractors that work on historic homes. Next month, we'll talk about implementation, and time tables.

7) NEW BUSINESS

- a. Facebook Page: We're somewhat "obligated" through the Neighborhood Leadership Council, to have this project. Christian has been made administrator, and will post material and events. Photos have been taken, and we'll make sure that children aren't "tagged" on the photos.
- b. Annual Meeting: Mon., March 15, 6:30 PM, hosted by First Lutheran Church, 743 S. Monroe Ave. Speakers requested: Mayor Schmitt, Alderman Tony Theisen, Jeff Merkes, Cheryl Renier-Wigg, Officer Van Handel. Skip will contact neighbors, for their requests for speakers. We'll pay Titletown Brewery to make their excellent chili again, and they have offered to donate root beer. Shredded cheese and oyster crackers will be provided, as well.
- c. Neighborhood Association Fees: Cheryl Renier-Wigg was asked 1) can there be a mandatory fee from the homes, to help with neighborhood preservation, and 2) if so, how could the fee be collected? Cheryl will have a summer intern check out the legalities. The city would want the ANA to have a list of recommended houses for removal.

8) OPEN FORUM:

9) ADJOURN, 7:15 PM.

Our next ANA Board Meeting will be Monday, February 15, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at Howe Neighborhood Family Resource Center, 526 S. Monroe Ave, Green Bay.

Respectfully submitted,

Pastor Paul Schleis, secretary/treasurer