Minutes

Astor Neighborhood Association, Inc. - Mon., November 16, 2009 - 6:00 PM

Howe Neighborhood Family Resource Center, 526 S. Monroe Ave, Green Bay, WI 54301

1) ROLL CALL

Present: J. Frank, President; Vice President; P. Schleis, Secretary/Treasurer; M. VanHandel, J. Danen, A. Higgins, B. Weycker, J. Sharp Absent (excused): J. Schwenk, Skip Heverly, C. Kime, J. Weycker

2) APPROVAL OF OCTOBER MINUTES

3) TREASURER'S REPORT/BILLS

M/S/C to approved the October 2009 minutes, and the November 2009 Treasurer's report. The CD will be renewed for another 6 months.

4) INVITED GUESTS

- a. Tony Theisen, Alderperson: not present
- b. Officer Paul Van Handel: not present
- c. CSI's: Gabby Parra, community service intern.
- d. Steve Boehlen, from Three Corners Neighborhood Association, as a visitor.

5) ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Newsletter: articles due on Nov. 25, for December newsletter.
- b. Christmas Lights on Monroe: Skip will handle. Tony Theisen contacted about getting the electricity working. Skip will handle the lights.
- c. Holiday Decorating Contest: Jenny and Christian will handle. Mike would help, if needed.
- d. Bellin Update: things seem done with their street construction.
- e. Wine Tasting: One house probably secured, three or four other houses being asked. Registration, and details, will go in the Astor Outlook newsletter. Sat. January 30.
- f. Art Committee: corner of Porlier and Adams St. Christian has volunteered to work on the committee to work on the grant. Let Jacqueline know soon, if more can help.

6) **NEW BUSINESS**

a. MNLC Holiday Meeting: Thurs., December 03, 5:30 PM, at Holiday Inn. Four from our Board are invited. Jacqueline, Jesse, Andrew plan to attend. Pictures of ANA events are requested, by November 25.

b. Next Month's Meeting Location:

M/S/C to have our December meeting/Christmas party on Mon., December 21, at Titletown Brewery and Restaurant. ANA treasury will cover snacks.

- c. MNLC New Events: Each neighborhood association was strongly encouraged to sign up to sponsor some new events. ANA will try Facebook groups (Christian or Jacqueline can do), information on welcome kits, and information on a parade of homes.
- d. Strategic Planning ideas: neighborhood craft fair, houses, links for Astor homes, art at Adams/Porlier, Project Porchlight promotion, extending the brown Astor street signs (there was discussion about the extent of the Astor Neighborhood Association vs. the Historic Astor District vs. overlap with the Astor East River Association boundaries), parade of homes, working with the city's strategic plan on eventual removal of blighted homes in high-density areas, education to help people remodel their homes in keeping with a historic neighborhood view.

Safety issues: The amount and speed of traffic on Webster, drunk driving from downtown, lighting, neighborhood walks.

Present events: Back to School potluck, Wine Tasting, Popcorn in Park, Easter egg hunt are all popular, and each covers a different season.

- 7) **OPEN FORUM:** would ANA would be willing to join Hazelwood, or fund an event? Jacqueline will check into it.
- 8) **ADJOURN, 7:25 PM.**

Our next ANA Board Meeting will be Mon., December 21, 2009, 6:00 PM, at Titletown Brewery and Restaurant, downtown Green Bay. We'll invite Kevin from the Astor East River association to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Pastor Paul Schleis, secretary/treasurer