

## **Minutes**

**Astor Neighborhood Association, Inc. Mon., September 21, 2009- 6:00 p.m.**

Hazelwood Historic House, 1008 S. Monroe Ave., Green Bay, WI 54301

### **1) ROLL CALL**

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

### **2) APPROVAL OF AUGUST 2009 MINUTES**

### **3) TREASURE'S REPORT/BILLS**

*M/S/C/ to approve August 2009 minutes and September 2009 Treasurer's report*

### **4) INVITED GUESTS**

Jamie Strohschein  
Christine Dunbar  
Meg Grunwald  
CSI Melanie Czypinski  
CSI Katelyn Stafford  
Tony Theisen, Alderperson; not present  
Officer Brian Schilt; not present

### **5) ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **a. Newsletter:**

- Fall issue went out last week and was posted on the Web today.
- Postal regulations have changed and will add an additional \$20 to cost of tabbing.
- Mike V. is going to check on postal advertising regulations. The mailing has to be a periodical in order to use addresses and phone numbers in ads. Last year we were not able to get a non-profit postal rate for the wine tasting flier because it appeared to be an ad.
- December's issue is going to include holiday themes and wine tasting promotion.

Discuss Dec. newsletter topics at Oct. and Nov. meetings.

#### **b. Pot luck**

-Jamie Danen organized this event and also brought the food in her van. Danen suggested that it would be much easier to have event catered. Biebels declined so we will need to look elsewhere. Flier needs to be sent out next year. Leftovers went to a needy family and to a local shelter. Danen also suggested that utensils and napkins be stored at the park shelter. Jesse Sharp suggested that Astor Association's space be organized yearly during popcorn in the park. A new freezer has been donated by Dan and Laura Madigan, to replace old one. Jenny Schenk suggested using it to sell ice cream at the other end of the park or to sell it.

#### **c. Pumpkin Carving Contest**

-Jenny Schenk is organizing this event. Participants can sign up on-line and a committee of judges will be formed to choose a winner.

#### **d. Bellin Update- no report**

#### **e. Wine Tasting**

-2008 Event was a huge success! This year's event will follow the same format by only using two homes.

## **6) NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Rebekah Haven Building Plans: Jamie Strohschein, Finance Director of R. Haven, informed the board of an upcoming building project which includes tearing down 11 year-old existing brick building between Jackson and Grignon and replacing it with a new three story brick building.
- Rebekah Home Association Board approved project at June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. R.H. A.B. enthusiastically approved expanding their facilities from an 18 bed unit to a 36 bed unit.
  - Rebekah Haven has been approached by several banks to finance the project. No concerns over securing finances.
  - Project also to include an enclosed courtyard, a new atrium, and a walkway from Oddfellow Nursing Home to new building.
  - Breaking ground Spring 2010.
  - Rebekah Haven will specialize in dementia care, thus keeping patients out of nursing homes and into home- like assisted living.
  - Trudey Peterson, Executive Director of Odd Fellow & Rebekah Home Association, put fliers out and around the neighborhood and talked with neighbors about the project.
  - J. Frank asked if there if there is increased traffic expected. Not really, maybe a few more visitors.
  - Additional Staffing: 6a.m. To 2 p.m. 7 staffed, 2 p.m. -10 p.m. 4 staffed, and 10p.m. To 6 a.m. 2 staffed.
  - Concerns include: the Jackson and Grignon street views of the new building, parking access to Sentry Webster Ave. Market, and the four vacant lots between Van Buren and Jackson Street. Any additional concerns can be directed to Trudey Peterson, Executive Director of Odd Fellow & Rebekah Home Association.
- b. Tour of Hazelwood: Christine Dunbar, Director of Hazelwood.
- Museum has been operating for about 100 years- oldest home in Green Bay! Home was built in 1837 and shipped from New York to Green Bay, WI.
  - house open 90 days a year.
  - Museum membership has been declining since last year. Hazelwood has 750 members but Christine is actively working on increasing membership numbers. Museum membership includes subscription to Voyageur Magazine.
  - Working to create additional programs and branching out more into the community: partnering with Heritage Hill and Fort Howard Hall, holding events on school days, and writing grants to secure sponsors for National History Day.

## **7) OPEN FORUM**

No report

## **8) ADJOURN**

Our next ANA Board Meeting will be Monday, October 19, 2009 6:00 p.m. At Howe Neighborhood Family Resource Center, 526 S. Monroe Ave, Green Bay, WI 54301

Respectfully submitted,  
*Christian Kime*, Vice President