

**NORTHEAST NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS  
EAST SIDE LIBRARY  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2014**

Minutes of the Northeast Neighbors and Friends meeting held on Monday, November 3, 2014, at the East Side Library. The meeting was called to order at 5:29 p.m. by Linda Westergaard, Chair.

Introductions were made around the table.

Our speaker tonight was Clay Daggett of Rebuilding Together of Greater Iowa. He told us about a new program that they have called Safe At Home. It will make home repairs or home modifications for low income home owners. At this time, they are looking for both volunteers and applications from people. He passed out applications to each of us and said it was based on income. Funding comes from Aging Resources, senior community resources. The jobs that they do are done by volunteers and are able to be accomplished within one to four hours.

Linda explained regarding what happened at the City Council Workshop today regarding Affordable Housing. Phil Delafield gave a presentation this morning. Connie Boesen explained that the schools need to know the increase in children before the project is started so the school board can do what is needed for the schools. No child is never turned away but it might increase the class size, etc.

After discussing changing the meeting night, Valerie made the motion that we leave our meetings on the first Monday of the month. The motion was second by Alex Piedras. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given. As of the end of October, the bank balance was \$2,542.69; \$495.14 is for operating expenses, and \$2,047.55 is the balance of the grant. Out of the grant, we need to write a check for Dennis Dyer for maintaining our website.

There were no minutes from the October meeting since Marge was absent and no one took minutes.

The next item for discussion was milk weed pod seeds. Lorraine and Valerie have enough in their yards to share with anyone who is interested.

The election was next. The slate of officers was as follows:

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| Chair               | Linda Westergaard  |
| Vice Chair          | Norm Kamm  |
| Secretary/Treasurer | Marge Ramsey   |
| Board Members:      | Valerie Madison, Carole Westbrook, Shelly Rodriguez, and Lawrence Malmin |

Hearing no objection and all agreed to run again, the motion was made by Connie Boesen, second by Jim Bush and the membership unanimously voted to name the officers as shown above for the new year. It was mentioned that any and all are welcome to attend our monthly board meetings that are held the Saturday prior to our regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. at the Dahl's on E. 33<sup>rd</sup> and Euclid.

Lorraine Eldredge turned in her resignation. The group thanked her for her service.

Marge will contact Marci Rafdahl to obtain a couple of dates for NEN&F to help sort food for the Community Action Agency.

Linda Westergaard will be ringing bells at Hy-Vee the first Friday in December. She asked if we visit her that evening to bring some hot chocolate.

Our next board meeting will be Saturday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 a.m. at Prairie Meadows. The next regular meeting will be Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, at 5:30 p.m. at the East Side Library. We will have a Holiday Party and plan to keep it small; Carole will bring some decorations; we will have some cookies and something to drink. Lawrence Malmin has a CD that he would like to show that same night.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

***Marge Ramsey***

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Secretary/Treasurer