NORTHEAST NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS JULY 2, 2012

Minutes of the Northeast Neighbors and Friends meeting held on Monday, July 2, 2012, at the East Side Library. The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m. by Linda Westergaard, Chair.

Marge gave the Treasurer's report. As of the end of June, we had \$1,064.50 in the bank, with \$632.55 as the balance of the grant and \$431.95 as operating expenses.

The minutes were then reviewed. Motion made by Carole Westbrook, second by Shelly Rodriquez to approve minutes as written. Motion approved.

Bob Mahaffey gave his report. Last week, there was a meeting at North High regarding reducing \$60,000 from the pools in Des Moines. It was decided a better solution was to reduce the hours at all pools instead of closing just Birdland. Doug Romig went before the City Council regarding moving his agency. His two choices were the building at 6th and Holcomb and Logan Center. Most of the City Council is in favor of selling the Logan Center to Joshua Academy. The cost to renovate the Logan Center for Doug's agency would be \$5 million. Joshua Academy would be responsible for the repairs to the building if they purchased it.

CVS Pharmacy wants to put a store at 2nd and Euclid. July 10th at 5:00 is the ribbon cutting for the Grandview Golf Course. Bob said he would like to see a walking trail put in at Riverview similar to Gray's Lake. The ribbon cutting at Sargent Park will be provided to us. The downtown river walk is scheduled for completion by the end of this year. He then opened it up for questions.

On July 14th at dusk at Sargent Park will be a movie "Dolphin Tale". Bring your lawn chairs.

Valerie reminded us of her activity that she is having on August 3rd at the library from 1 to 3.

Our services projects for the remainder of the year are: August – school supplies; September – toiletries; October – mitten drive; November – food pantry; and December – bell ringing or donate an hour of your time.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marge Ramsey

Marge Ramsey Secretary/Treasurer