

**Northeast Neighbors and Friends  
Meeting Minutes  
September 25, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. at the East Side Library by Tania Hunt, Chair.

DMPD Report - Doua Lor. His cell phone is 515-971-0792. He gave his report and said that the workshop will be coming up in November. He will get the information to us.

Josh Colvin of the Animal Rescue League was our speaker. He talked about the ARL going to Texas and Florida to help with the animals after the hurricanes that hit those states. He talked about the process from fostering to adopting animals. He told us that you could have 3 cats and 3 dogs and you could also have a pot belly pig. He said to check Code 18.4 of City Ordinance and you will find that if you have an acre of land you can have 25 chickens. His wants for the shelter are cat food and cat litter.

Valerie gave Josh a donation of \$25 from Girl Scout Troop #772. His business address is 1615 S.E. 14<sup>th</sup> Street here in Des Moines. His work phone number is 284-6905.

The minutes for last month's meeting were reviewed. Peggy Patrick had a correction. The minutes should be amended to read "to merge the two neighborhoods" instead of "take over". Motion made by Connie Boesen to accept the minutes as amended. Second by Valerie Madison. Motion carried. This was in reference to Grandview Park and ACCENT Neighborhoods.

Marge gave the Treasurer's report. The balance in the bank is \$3,397.61 with \$3,000.00 being the grant money and \$397.61 as our operating expenses. However, a check #5960 in the amount of \$900.00 was written today to Doug Hesseltine for three (3) free little libraries. The check was given to Norm Kamm who will deliver it to Doug.

Peggy Patrick has the petition ready for signatures for the two neighborhoods of Grandview Park and ACCENT.

Valerie Madison talked about the City Council workshop regarding fireworks and also about making a sign which is laminated to tell where our meetings are especially if our meeting is moved across the hall in the library.

Connie Boesen talked about the housing situation and that the school board election is over and the new school board has been sworn in and had their first meeting. The election for City Council is on November 7<sup>th</sup>.

There was discussion regarding the new bike lanes on East Grand.

Tania then announced the election of our officers will take place next month. The slate of officers are the same as this year with maybe more board members. Nominations will be taken from the floor if someone else wants to run for any office.

Our next Board meeting will be held on Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at Financial Plus Credit Union with our regular meeting being held on Monday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30 p.m. at the East Side Library on Hubbell Avenue.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marge Ramsey  
Secretary