

NORTHEAST NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS

Minutes of the Northeast Neighbors and Friends meeting held on Monday, April 5, 2010, at the East Side Library. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Linda Westergaard.

Minutes were distributed and reviewed. It was moved by Bill Martin, second by Norm Kamm to approve minutes as written. Motion was approved.

The guest presentation for this evening - Vince Valdez or Sgt. Gonzales were not able to attend this evening's meeting. Linda will see if Sgt. Gonzales will attend the May meeting.

Bob Mahaffey came to our meeting and discussed things happening on the east side: light poles being moved on Easton; Birdland levee is going forward; patching of major potholes with temporary patches; there is talk of Dahl's building new store at Eastgate; resurfacing of Hubbell; and flood insurance.

There was discussion on who to contact for properties needing to be cleaned up. Linda provided information and will report the property because it can be done anonymously.

Linda passed out a list of phone numbers for us to use and asked for any additions to this list.

Lorraine Eldredge and Marge gave a report on a class provided by Des Moines Neighbors. The class was on Negotiating County Government. Lorraine highlighted the first class and Marge highlighted the second class.

Valerie Madison is going to set up and maintain a scrapbook on items from the paper on NEN&F. She also had information from First Stop Pizza Shop on East 9th & Hull Avenue. The two ladies running this pizza shop attended our meeting and passed out fliers on their business.

Valerie also reported that she attended the opening of Valley View's new facility. Linda will provide a follow up letter next month to them.

Linda reported that she, Valerie, and Marge went to open an account at US Bank on Saturday, the 3rd, and because we did not have an ID number, they were not able to open the account that date. As soon as Linda gets the ID number, we will open this account and we will have a Treasurer's report.

Linda discussed setting up a website for our association through DWX Internet at a cost of \$60 to hold the domain name of "northeastneighborsandfriends.com" and "northeastneighborsandfriends.org". Motion made by Lorraine Eldredge, second by Jim Wickham to pay this amount to hold these domain names. Motion was approved.

Marge Ramsey volunteered to maintain the website after it was set up.

Regarding the Robert Rules of Order – Linda wanted to be assured that everything is done correctly. Jim Wickham volunteered to guide us.

For our May meeting, we will have a representative from the police department and our speaker from Polk County will be put on hold.

Valerie has contacted someone regarding information on plants and landscaping for our meeting in June but has not received confirmation.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marge Ramsey
Secretary/Treasurer