

NORTHEAST NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS

Minutes of the Northeast Neighbors and Friends meeting held on Tuesday, July 6, 2010, at the East Side Library. The meeting was called to order at 5:27 p.m. by Linda Westergaard, Chair.

The speaker for this evening was Doug Stodgel from Polk County Family Enrichment Center. They are partially funded through Polk County and some federal funding. Their capacity is 189 families. They have a clothes closet, perk pantry, and laundry facilities. They also offer general assistance which provides emergency funding for families.

Marge Ramsey gave the Treasurer's report. We have \$145.00 in the account, 13 individual memberships and 1 business membership.

The minutes were reviewed and a correction by Jim Wickham regarding the Des Moines Neighbors Meeting is held on the 4th Thursday of each month. Motion made to approve the minutes with the correction by Jim Bush, second by Carole Westbrook. Motion was approved.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 7th, at 5:30 p.m. because of the holiday on Monday in September. We will have a board meeting the first Saturday in August at 9:00 a.m. at Dahl's.

NEIGHBORHOOD INFORMATION

Union Park is having Jazz in July on July 11th – 2:00 until 11:00 p.m. in Union Park. There will be free carousel rides on that date.

Ice cream social will be held by Douglas Acres on July 13th at Sergeant Park.

Four Mile Farmers Market will be held on July 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th at the Four Mile Community Center. Also on August 4th and 11th.

Valerie Madison made a report on the June 14th City Council meeting that she attended on that date. Linda will contact Bob Mahaffey regarding the tear down of buildings by Grandview College and possibility of rain backup.

Tuesday, July 27th – Des Moines Historical Society will meet at the Birdland Lagoon Shelter from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m.

National Night Out on August 3rd was discussed and Linda will contact Ami regarding our members being involved with their own neighborhood associations for that night.

Jim Wickham attended Des Moines Neighbors meeting on June 24th and gave a report on it. He wanted the sign in sheet changed to include the neighborhood association that each person lives in. This will be done for our September meeting. Their meetings are on the 4th Thursday of each month and start at 7:00 p.m.

Officer Lorey was present at our meeting and asked for any problems in any neighborhood that he could take back.

Linda Westergaard then said she had e-mailed Lieutenant Gonzales for a speaker at our September meeting regarding safety issues. Officer Lorey said he would see that we had someone for our meeting. As soon as Linda receives confirmation, she will make a flyer and e-mail to us so we can post at grocery stores, churches, etc. to get the word out and possibly have more people attend.

Linda then brought an ad that was in the paper today regard Meta Bank – sign up on their website and they will choose a winner to get \$100 per week. The website is www.bankmeta.com and suggested that each one of us sign up for NEN&F – must be a non-profit organization.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marge Ramsey

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Secretary/Treasurer