

NORTHEAST NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS

Minutes of the Northeast Neighbors and Friends meeting held on Tuesday, September 6, 2011, at the East Side Library. The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Linda Westergaard, Chair.

Marge gave the Treasurer's report. The balance in the bank as of the end of August was \$341.95. However, we do have a grant check for \$1,500.00 to be deposited and a check for \$100.00 was written to Phoukham Tran, the police officer who was hit by the truck at the fairgrounds.

Our guest speaker for the evening was Police Chief Judy Bradshaw who spoke about issues in the city. She spoke about the increased safety issues at the fairgrounds this year. The command post was set up at the main gate and the use of the Ambassador group was utilized. She spoke about the Youth and Parks Restitution unit just started this year. The Special Enforcement Team took 19 fire arms off the street. She spoke of the increased cost for the safety provided and that the state does not help with the cost. Her phone number is 283-4800, and her cell number is 208-0712.

Linda presented Chief Bradshaw with a card and a check from NEN&F in the amount of \$100.00. Other members also made contributions for Police Officer Phoukham Tran. If any others are interested in contributing to him, there is a fund set up at the Police Officers Credit Union.

The minutes from last month's meeting was reviewed. Motion was made by Carole Westbrook to accept the minutes as written; second by Valerie Madison. Motion was carried.

Our next speaker was Bob Mahaffey from the City Council. He gave an update regarding FEMA holding back on funding. He stated that the decision on the tax abatement issue has to be made before the first of the year.

Our next board meeting will be Saturday, October 1st, at Dahl's on E 33rd, at 9:00 am and our next regular meeting will be Monday, October 3rd, at 5:30. Our guest speakers will be Vic Scott and Tom Hockensmith.

In November, we will have someone from the library show us how to use Facebook. Our December meeting will be a holiday meeting. Introductions were made around the table.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marge Ramsey

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Secretary/Treasurer