

WEST CENTRAL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MINUTES

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2004

PRESIDENT JEFF HOEPPNER PRESIDING

Treasurer's Report:
Checking (Tower):
Money Market (Tower):
Edward Jones:
Escrow:
Total:

Membership: 69
Individual: 39
Family: 23
Business: 7

Attendance: 45
Start Time: 7:01
End Time: 8:28

Items	Discussion	Follow-up Needed
Presentation by Fred Eckart, Candidate for County Council.	Mr Eckart spoke about his goals for a more fiscally responsible and responsive County Council. He noted that while Councils budget had nearly doubled the population of the area had grown only by 10% or so.	Everyone vote and be heard on election day.
Reports		
Treasurer	See above	
Secretary	Minutes are on tables	
Membership	Unchanged, see above.	
Old Business		
WCNA Tour	Norma Hoepfner reported that income from the tour was \$20,222.00 and expenses were \$5909.00 The total net income for tour stands at \$14,313.26	Congratulate all who did such a super job.
Neighborhood plan	On October 5 council voted unanimously to recommend a do pass on our plan goals and objectives for inclusion into the master plan. The vote was taken on October 12 and the plan will be included in the city's master plan. WCNA is the first association to achieve this distinction.	Congratulations to the steering committee for this achievement.
Historic District Expansion	The committee will meet October 28 to formulate a plan to gather signatures.	Call Jill at 385-WEST or Mary at 424-2722 to volunteer to help.
CCW	CCW will be doing a neighborhood walk and meeting on November 4. All concerned citizens are welcome to join in. Call Barbara or Larry Codding for more information.	Call Barb or Larry at 244-8110
Fundraising	Alice asked members to please comment on the ideas presented for fundraising. She also spoke about the possibility of partnering with Sandpoint Greenhouse on a Mum or Poinsettia sale.	Contact the committee with ideas and feedback. 426-1556 for Alice.
Endangered properties	Jill reported that there appears to be some progress on the sale of the Alamo. The Firestone Building has been placed on historic properties.com and it is hoped that wider exposure will increase interest in the sale of this property. Jill has had no call back from the person who was considering putting a car wash in the Betty Brite location. Jill will send a letter to the proposed developer.	Continue vigilance.
Nominating Committee	Cindy Husar reported on the slate of officers which has been put together by the committee. Those who have agreed to run are: President.....Larry Codding	

	Vice President.....Mike Walsh Secretary.....Barbara Coddling Treasurer.....Mary Modezjewski Membership.....Mary Radawski Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the November meeting and the election will be held at well.	Election in November.
Bridge Study	Mary Modezjewski reported that committee for the Bridge Study is meeting and working on issues such as placement and design.	Continue
Announcements		
Tree Canopy Comeback:	November 6 is the date for the Tree Canopy Comeback. There will be 50 trees planted at Swinney. Meet at the pool house at 8:00 am for coffee, donuts and assignments. Bring rakes, shovels, pruners and gloves.	All volunteers welcome
Newsletter	The deadline for the next newsletter is November 10. Send copy to newsletter@westcentralneighborhood.org .	All input needed.
New Business		
Petition	President Hoepfner announced that a petition had be given to the City Council recommending against passage of the Neighborhood Plan. The WCNA meeting will be a further informational meeting about the plan especially for those people who felt they did not have adequate input. It was noted that the petition included many signers who live out of the neighborhood and did not have the text of the petition. When contacted, several signers expressed outrage because they had not understood the terms of the petition. These individuals are being urged to write letters to City Council asking that their names be taken off the petition. It was noted by Jeff and Kevin Knuth among others that the plan is just that, a plan. Issues of zoning and traffic control and the like will have to be passed by the appropriate boards and the City of Fort Wayne before they are implemented.	Re-present the goals and policies of the plan at the WCNA meeting, November 15.
Historic Landmarks of Indiana	Historic Landmarks has invited WCNA to join their organization. Jill reported that Cindy Husar has donated the cost of a membership for one year.	Thanks to Cindy.
Wellspring	Carol Salge reported that the West Central Neighborhood Ministry has changed its name to Wellspring. This may clear up the confusion that results in WCNA board members receiving calls about flu shots and the like.	
Bylaws	Mary Radawski reported that the board is making great progress on the bylaws and hopes to have a new version ready soon. This is the first step that needs to be taken before we can apply to become a 501c3.	

