

WEST CENTRAL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MINUTES

MONDAY, JULY 19, 2004

PRESIDENT JEFF HOEPPNER PRESIDING

Treasurer's Report:

Checking (Tower): \$170.56

Money Market (Tower): \$238.68

Edward Jones: \$14,522.92

Escrow: \$10,000.00

Total: \$24,932.16

Membership: 58

Individual: 50

Family:

Business: 8

Attendance: 27

Start Time: 7:03

End Time: 8:37

Items	Discussion	Follow-up Needed
Resignation	All Arnold resigned as Vice President effective on June 21, 2004. He is moving out of the area.	Board to fill per by-laws
Board Meeting	By a unanimous vote at the WCNA Board Meeting on June 30 The board chose Larry Coddington to replace Al Arnold as Vice President of WCNA and Larry has agreed to serve.	Thanks to Larry for stepping up.
Old Business		
Neighborhood Plan	Carol Salge reported that the plan is moving through channels. July 14 was the filing deadline for the plan and that was met. On August 16 there will be a public hearing before the City Plan Commission at 7:00 in room 126 at the City-County Building. On August 23 the Plan Commission will vote on whether the plan will be submitted to the City Council for inclusion in the Fort Wayne Zoning Plan.	Committee members will attend the August 16 hearing.
Street Lights	Our pledge to the Jefferson Street lighting project has been paid in full. Arrangements have been made to re-title the present escrow account for the Washington Street project.	
CCC	Barbara and Larry joined city police on a golf-cart patrol at Lawton Park. They have also attended a workshop on Homeland Security and plan to attend a workshop on Financial Crimes against the elderly to be held August 26. Registration at this workshop is open to anyone and can be made by calling 877-739-7274.	
WCNA House Tour	The tour is set and brochures will go to the printer as scheduled on August 1. Help is needed for any aspect of the tour on both Saturday and Sunday. Art Fair will be the same location as last year.	Call Norma to volunteer

Swinney Park Committee	Mary Modezjewski reported that the July work date for Swinney (the 24 th) has been cancelled. Workers are needed for the August 21 work party. The Parks Department master plan will be available for our review from 8:30 am until 7:30 pm July 21 and 22 at the Community Center. The public is invited to review the plan and comment. There will be an open house at Swinney Homestead at 11:00 am on August 11 to announce the completing of the renovation project which West Central donated funds for. Five members expressed interest in attending this event on behalf of West Central. Plans for the bridge study are on hold pending paperwork.	Participation in all events is encouraged.
Traffic	Judy Coles had a meeting with Ken Nicolette, Tim Pape, Tom Hayhurst, Dave Ross and Steve Davis. They discussed speeding problems and traffic calming strategies for the neighborhood entrance on Jefferson. There have been 610 accidents on the eight block area of the Jefferson corridor since 1997. Two suggestions that came out of this meeting met with strong opposition by the group. First objections were raised at the proposal to make the light at Jefferson and College a yellow blinker. Secondly, the elimination of parking on the south side of Jefferson between Garden and College borough objections. Jack Stark moved and Barbara Coddling Seconded the motion that WCNA write to all those who attended this meeting stating: The WCNA opposes any attempt to alter the light at College and Jefferson and any attempt to remove parking from the South side of Jefferson but that we are open to discussion of other traffic calming strategies in this area as outlined in our Neighborhood Plan. Motion passed.	Secretary to draft a letter for Jeff to sign expressing our concerns about this matter.
Announcements	Volunteers are needed for the great tree canopy come-back scheduled tentatively for November 6. The focus is not on Swinney this year.	
	Newsletter deadline is July 31. Send stuff to newsletter@westcentralneighborhood.org	
	The Parks Department Comprehensive plan is available for review at the community center on Main Street all day and evening July 21 and 22.	
	Brochures printed as a result of the Brick Street Workshop were passed out. Kudos to Jill for this effort.	
	Kudos to Barbara Coddling, Mary Modezjewski, Ann Herman and Helen Pyles for the TRF Trolley Tour.	
New Business	WCNA has an opportunity to provide food for Helen Pyles auction on August 28. We will be able to keep all profits.	Mary Modezjewski to coordinate with Brandon Steffan.
Fundraising	The committee is meeting and will share ideas at the August WCNA meeting.	

1020 Nelson	We received word through Tom Cain that the property at 1020 Nelson wants a variance so that they do not have to provide parking for the duplex. No off street area is available. As parking is already a problem in that block and the house has been being used as a single family West Central objects to any variance.	Item dropped from Zoning Board meeting as Pat Fahey ruled this was a duplex in the past and zoning is R3.
Newsletter Committee	Volunteers were sought for a newsletter committee. Kevin Watson, Judy Cole and John Lloyd are interested.	
1015 West Washington	A variance is being sought by the school for a higher fence in front. West Central objects to the 8-ft chain link in the rear and would prefer not to have it repeated in the front. Information about the project is needed. It is difficult to fight the schools on these issues.	Fence request determined to be only 4 ft.
National Night out	National Night Out will be the first Thursday in August. West Central has no plans but will join in whatever the SWAP is doing.	
Door Prizes	Judy drew numbers for 5 gift certificate to Mitchell Books.	
Adjournment	By mutual agreement.	