

Story Preservation Association

June Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

November 13, 2012
Kenilworth School

CAOs: **Officer Ben Harris**

Diego Delgadillo Bob Croft Cheryl McGregor
Gary Hochstetler Diane Hochstetler Kim Jennings Steve Methvin

Members Absent (**indicated Excused*)

Joe Zbick Earlene McDonald

Called to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

Meeting Minutes:

- September meeting minutes were presented. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made and seconded. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Treasurers Report

- Report for the September/October was presented. A motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented was made and seconded. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Welcome Committee

- Discussion of Welcome packet and ways to tie that into the neighborhood's need to get the word out to new homeowners, real estate agents etc., about the rules regarding historic preservation. Several of the documents will be used as a separate notification. Kim and Diane will get together to hash out some ideas. The StoryTime delivery people may be useful in notifying the committee regarding empty homes, new activity and perhaps delivering the HP documents.

Block Watch

- Cheryl provided status on where Block Watch stood. Pretty much stagnant - need to get folks active.

Home Tour

- on track - need volunteers, no other info. available

General Business

- Visual Award – Steve will look for some more homes; submit and vote on by 11/18 newsletter deadline.
- Discussed the neighborhood projects fund and that the meeting date in January will be the one for the neighborhood to come in and discuss ideas.

- Car damage – Marilyn’s car was damaged in the process of getting items out of storage. We will ask her to get a couple of bids and use SPA funds to get the scratch repaired.
- Stolen Paint Sprayer – Bob will talk to Anderson Painting about insurance coverage. The consensus was that since the sprayer was in his possession at the time, he was responsible for keeping it secure.
- Roosevelt Row Association will be having meetings regarding their Vision for Roosevelt Street and all are invited.
- Diego brought up Rosie’s House – a youth music charity and there was discussion as to how the neighborhood might help out. He will talk to her about coming and doing a presentation.

Neighborhood

- Discussion centered on two homes that have had work done. The Portland residence is a non-contributing home in the overlay. So far, much of the work done has been an improvement and we don’t want to prevent that but there is the issue of permits. There is an HP meeting for this home being held on 11/15. Steve will try to be there to state our concerns. There seems to be a trend towards making changes without permits or permission and then dealing with the City after they get caught and hoping they don’t have to remove/reverse what they did. The other home is on Lynwood and was contributing. HP has pushed that homeowner as far as they are able to make them comply with the HP permitting rules. There has been a city hearing regarding the Home Office Use Permit that they want. That decision was postponed and the homeowner told to talk to the neighborhood regarding the changes and what their intent is. They will make their presentation at the next SPA steering committee meeting on 12/4. The next City hearing is 12/6. More discussion was held regarding ways to prevent these issues from occurring rather than having to deal with them after the fact. A suggestion was made that the neighbors most impacted should definitely be at the meeting and if unable to, have their statements/concerns in writing to be presented.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.