

## Minutes for 2023 Annual BWNA Meeting

DATE: 08/23/2023 TIME: 7:00 PM Minutes Prepared By Karen Brown, as our secretary, Emily Best, was absent

Board Members Present: Susan Sallee, Ron and Jan Sallee, Scooter and Kelly Stein, Laurie Nichols, Debbie and Scott McCormick, Kelly Stamper, Karen Yeager, Alberta Shaw, Karla Carter, and Karen Brown

Board Members Absent: Emily Best Residents Present: Brian Radcliffe and Pattie Stivender

Welcome (Susan Sallee)

Approval of the Minutes for our August 2022 Meeting: The minutes were e-mailed to each board member to read prior to this meeting. Key points were highlighted by Scooter Stein at the meeting. No questions were asked. No corrections were made. 1st Motion made to accept minutes: Susan Sallee 2nd Motion: Laurie Nichols All in favor...Motion passed.

Treasurers' Report by Ron Sallee Current balance is \$ 4,309.45 (which includes the remaining "grant funds" awarded the summer of 2023 via our representative council person, Brenda Monarrez.) It was noted that a payment for grounds maintenance for the front entrance and in front of the park was due on October 1, 2023.

Announcement made by Susan Sallee that our Special Guest, Council Member Brenda Monarrez, would not be able to come tonight.

Report from Membership Committee by Jan Sallee Current membership was 123. Postcards asking residents to join BWNA were mailed to 350 non-members on August 14, 2023. Memberships from the next 15 new members that joined covered the cost of printing the postcards and postage. Currently approximately 30% of the residents belong to BWNA. Our target goal for 2023 is 178 members. Page 3 Minutes 08/24/23 NEW BUSINESS: Report on Popsicle Parade by Laurie Nichols Discussion was held regarding selecting between September 9 or 10, 2023. Date of event: Sunday, September 10, 2023, from 5 to 7 PM. Jan Sallee agreed to keep popsicles in her freezer. Meet at her house prior to five o'clock to collect popsicles for distribution. Report from Flag Committee by Laurie Nichols 1. For Labor Day a few flags will be placed at the entrance of the subdivision and a few close to sign at the park. 2. Veterans' Day will be set up like we have done the past two years. Update on Proposed Sidewalks on Wilson Downing by Ron Sallee On August 9, 2023, bids were opened. Only one bid was returned; it was a million dollars over budget. Government officials intend to meet with local contractors to encourage them to submit new bids. Board members expressed disappointment in this news. Update on Our Application to the Humane Society's "Spay and Return" Program by Susan Sallee Belleau Wood Neighborhood was selected as a participation site. Humane Society will provide the traps to capture feral cats. Captured cats will be given shots, be spayed or neutered, have their ears knotted, and then returned to our neighborhood. Susan will post information and ask for volunteers to assist in the program on our Facebook page. We especially need volunteers to

help transport captured cats to Human Society. Karen Yeager and Laurie Nichols volunteered their assistance. September 18, 2023 projected start date. Announcement Concerning Horseshoe Pit Coming to Our Park by Susan Sallee Chris Cooperrider from LFUCG Park and Recreation Department confirmed that his staff will be creating a horseshoe pit in our park this fall. Up-date from Brian Radcliffe of The Hickman Creek Conservatory and a BWNA member 1. Nature Hop on September 17, 2023, at East Hickman Creek in Belleau Woods Park. Start time: 2:00 PM 2. A tree walk is being planned between October 6 and 15, 2023. Date and time of walk to be announced. Page 3 Minutes 08/24/23 Presentation about Mini-grants Available to Belleau Wood Residents by Pattie Stivender The program director for Bluegrass Greensource, Pattie Stivender, spoke about mini-grants available to Lexington homeowners to install rain gardens or repairs buffers for water quality improvement. to be eligible homeowners must review slides on the website or attend a workshop facilitated by Bluegrass Greenspace staff then apply on their website. She passed out her business card and a bookmark with a QR code to link residents to additional information. the phone number for Bluegrass Greensource is 859-266-1572. [pattie@bggreensource.org](mailto:pattie@bggreensource.org) Officer Nominations for 2023 lead by Susan Sallee Officer nominations were: Laurie Nichols and Debbie McCormick Co-Presidents Scott McCormick Vice-President Ron and Jan Sallee Treasures Emily Best Secretary Karen Brown made motion to accept the nominations. Karen Yeager seconded the motion. All presented voted yea. Nominations accepted. Motion was made by Scott McCormick to adjourn the meeting. Motion Seconded by Ron Sallee, Meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM.