

BWNA Neighborhood Meeting

Date: 9/22/24

Time: 6 PM

Location: Ron & Jan Sallee's home

Members Present: Emily Best, Ron and Jan Sallee, Susan Sallee, Daniel and Denise Delaney, Karen Brown, Scott and Debbie McCormick, Laurie Nichols, Kelly Stamper, Alberta Shaw, Karla Carter

Members Absent: None

Guest Present: Yolanda Gonzalez

Welcome (Scott McCormick)

Review minutes from August 2024)

Approval of minutes - Scott summarized the August 2024 minutes. There was discussion of the park tax initiative.

Motion: Ron Sallee

2nd :Alberta Shaw

Treasurer Report (Ron Sallee) \$5,481.43 plus \$40 deposit in transit

Motion: Karen Brown

2nd: Laurie Nichols

Membership Update: Jan Sallee

There are 127 members as of today. A tremendous effort has been made to increase the membership. Door hangers, provided by Daniel and Denise Delaney, were placed on doors of neighbors who have not joined yet. Numerous emails were sent regarding joining the neighborhood association. Updates were posted on Facebook. Tables were set up at Food Trucks to accept memberships. Yolanda Gonzalez has donated a second Tiffany Charm. The charm will be used in a raffle for any new members who join in October. Jan reported there were 142 members last year and 175 members two years ago.

Committee Reports:

Beautification Team: Scott/Ron

Scott will get in touch with Quintin Wingate to stop further work on the front entrance due to side work construction.

Flags: Laurie Veteran's Day

Laurie will post a request on Facebook after Halloween for any veterans who would like a sign placed in their yard for Veterans Day. 16 signs will be ordered for Veterans Day. A ceremony will be scheduled at the flagpole on Veterans Day. Will ask Cort Ebel to play trumpet at ceremony.

Approval for gift card for Cort Ebel in the amount of \$25.

Motion :Susan Sallee

2nd motion : Scott McCormick

Sunshine Committee: Kelly, Alberta and Laurie

Alberta shared details about the purpose of the Sunshine Committee.

New Neighbor Welcome: Delany's

Daniel and Denise discussed the new homes sold in the neighborhood recently. They provide a door hanger on doors with a welcome note and then later send out a \$10 Kroger's gift card to new neighbors. They noted that Sayre Christian Village joins as well.

Super Neighbor: Susan

No super neighbors noted recently but there are neighbors doing super things that don't want to receive recognition for it. BWNA gives away \$5 Starbuck cards to neighbors nominated as a Super Neighbor.

Website: Susan

The website should be up to date. David Amos provides assistance with the website.

OLD Business:

Wilson Downing Sidewalk Project Update:(Ron Sallee)

Progress is being made on the sidewalk. The improvements look nice so far. It looks like both sides of street are getting a sidewalk.

Neighborhood Annual Meeting (open floor)

There was a discussion about the various guest speakers. It was noted that Sayre Christian Village is a good location to have meetings. Discussed the possibility of opening up some additional board meetings to the neighborhood in the future. The next board meeting will be in January 2025.

New Signs (Susan Sallee)

Susan discussed the possibility of getting a grant for new neighborhood signs in the future. Noted Council Person Brenda Monarrez has been very attentive to our neighborhood. Karla recommended adding the BWNA website or QR code to new signs so people can find out more about the neighborhood.

New Business:

New entrance sign

Susan provided examples of new entrance signs. Within the month the area for placement of the sign should be approved. There were questions raised concerning if the City of Lexington will help pay for the new sign since they are requiring BWNA to take down the old sign paid for by BWNA. Council Person Brenda Monarrez is going to check with City to see if they would help in paying for replacement sign. Susan noted we will need to move pretty quick after the location is provided in case Brenda Monarrez is not elected. We hope to receive grant money of at least \$5,000 from City. May need to put BWNA money into project as well. Susan has received an estimate of \$4,800 for masonry work. She will also get an estimate from Image 360 for sign work. BWNA sign committee will meet and discuss sign options. The plan is to take the old sign from Wilson Downing entrance and move to Man O War entrance side. Scott and Ron will look at the location and the possibility of moving the old sign.

Halloween Plans

Discussed various options. Decided to not do anything on Halloween.

Laurie will place notice on Facebook about the possibility of having an opportunity on the Saturday before Halloween to paint/carve pumpkins at the Park. She will see if there is enough interest to host event. BWNA will provide pumpkins for painting or carving.

Christmas Caroling plans

Scott McCormick will plan on getting trailer for hayride. Will plan for the Saturday night before Christmas. There was a suggestion to have someone dress up as Santa and ride on the trailer. Will plan on having a Board members dinner out for Christmas. Jan will plan on scheduling something on December 3rd or 5th.

Adjourn:

Motion 1: Susan Sallee

Motion 2: Ron Sallee