

Fisher Park Neighborhood Association, Inc.

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting

Monday January 23, 2012

In attendance Robert Kantlehner, Don Smith, Elizabeth Knight, Judy Morton, Sarah Jordan, Ashley Meredith, Sally Atwood, Ann Stringfield, Laura Way, Jim Brady, Angie Smits.

Welcomed new board members Ashley Meredith and Laura Way. Secretary Sherri Rogowski has rotated off the board so Judy Morton volunteered to be secretary. Don Smith will be Vice President. Ashley Meredith will be on Events committee. Laura Way to join Sara on Streets and Sidewalks committee.

COA's Reviewed and voted to support COA for 708 Simpson St. (alterations to foundation walls at side and back of house as part of basement renovation, alterations to garage entrances).

Treasurer's Report:

Over the holidays we paid \$479.99 to the company that hosts our web site, managed by Ann Stringfield; we pay this fee every two years.

Income from December's luminaria sale was about \$4000, expenses were about \$1300, leaving \$2700 to fund this year's budget. Since the budget usually runs about \$3000, we discussed raising the price of luminaries this year. Also discussed offering a service for paying an extra fee (maybe \$5) to have volunteers put the luminaries together and set up for you on that night, would put this option on the order form. Also discussed moving the date to Saturday instead of Sunday beginning next year; more input needed on this.

Streets and Sidewalks: Flashing yellow lights have been installed on Elm St. at two pedestrian crossings. This is after a long effort spearheaded by John McClendon to reduce speeds and increase safety on Elm.

Park Committee: Sally Atwood reported that Duke Power had done some extreme pruning along South Park and Magnolia Streets that resulted in 40-foot stumps that will essentially kill the trees. Park Committee met with the City arborist to determine which trees can potentially survive; Duke Power said they will come back and remove the five trees they killed. Duke did apologize and said there are new rules regarding the space they are allowed to prune around power lines.

At 7pm representatives from the **Greenway Bench Art Project** addressed the board and other interested neighbors to get input for their installation. Mosaic artist Jeannette Brossart asked for ideas and themes we would like to see reflected in the Fisher Park bench which will be at the triangular space along the future downtown Greenway, bordered by Eugene St., Smith St., and Battleground Ave.

Minutes prepared by Angie Smits, Treasurer.