

GHNA Monthly Meeting Minutes

9/18/12

- I. Dog Park Committee discussion
 - a. O'Shays Fundraiser:
 - i. All thank you cards done
 - ii. Only one gift not picked up (Pet gift pack)
 - b. Grove Fest Fundraiser:
 - i. Dog Pictures
 1. Erica and Aggie are in charge
 2. Suggested donation will be \$5
 3. Please bring any dog costumes for use
 4. Film? Camera?
 - ii. Gary and Shannon will work on presentation binder and booth signage
 - iii. We will have (2) donation jars set up (Shannon will bring)
 - iv. We will have doggie gift package, each donation gets a ticket to win
 - v. We need 2 additional volunteers to help with Grove Fest shifts
 - vi. Gary is providing tent and table
 - vii. Stacy is attending vendor meeting on 24th
 - viii. Meeting October 5th to go over final details
 - c. Bank account is now set up with Stacy B. and Carole Anne as signers
 - d. Dan Krasnoff with PCD has proposed that the dog park be incorporated by the city
 - i. Committee discussion on this must be had, pro's and con's
 - e. We have chosen as our primary preferred location: vacant lot at 4332 Chouteau
 - f. Next steps:
 - i. Next fundraiser-
 1. Fall block/trunk sale (Gramophone or health center parking lot?)
 - ii. Gary will be doing Vizio layout of dog park
 - iii. Gary will be doing website for dog park
 1. www.fpsedogpark.com
 - iv. Aggie will be doing Facebook page for dog park
 - v. Aggie and Melissa should look into community grants
- II. Presentation by Darlene Gary- City Comptroller
 - i. Elected for 4 year terms, up for re-election next March
 - ii. She want's people to know who she is and what she does

- iii. "Transparency in Govt"
 - iv. On board of Esterman, puts together city budget
 - 1. Meetings on 3rd Wednesday of each month
 - 2. \$465 Million general fund to pay for city services
 - a. Primarily from property and sales tax
 - b. \$ is allocated to different functions
 - c. Biggest item is police with 1/3 of budget
 - d. Ball Park Village proposal is approved and on
 - e. "Hot Spot" policing efforts will be used
 - i. Wants to partner with SLU
- III. Community Issues
 - a. Speeding/not stopping on Taylor and Newstead
 - i. Put cobblestones where stop signs are on Taylor
 - ii. Discussion needed? Price?
- IV. GHNA Topics
 - a. Neighborhood meeting signage
 - i. Stacy put bid in for signs but we need money from the Treasurer, Esther Walker
 - ii. \$189 for signs
 - iii. This needs to be done ASAP, low meeting turnout without signage
- V. Presentation- Stephanie CO of Park Central Development
 - a. Healthy Corner Store Project
 - i. Manchester Market
 - ii. Community nominates a "corner store"
 - 1. Bring in new and old customers with healthier food choices/options
 - 2. Will have a youth component
 - 3. Need group leaders to steer initiatives
 - 4. Projects and group functions will be done at store
 - 5. What does neighborhood want to see?
 - 6. Contact Stephanie with questions or concerns
 - a. 314-262-4409 or Stephanie@parkcentraldevelopment.org
- VI. Presentation- Ron Coleman
 - a. Nuisance properties
 - i. He is working on them and putting pressure on tenants/owners
 - ii. If you spot a nuisance property-

1. Write a service request directly to the city or call the Citizens Service Bureau
2. Examples:
 - a. Trash, weeds, barking dogs, noise, ect.

VII. Presentation- Alderman Joe Roddy

a. Exciting News

- i. Mercedes Benz dealership at Hampton and Oakland
 1. 10 million investment
 2. Elegant “all glass” building that will be lighted at night
- ii. West Pine and Euclid Construction
 1. 160 unit, 7 story apartment building, with retail on first floor
 - a. Will have a Whole Foods Market!
- iii. Aventura Apartments at Forest Park
 1. 200 units
 2. Was discussed in detail at City Talk at Soho
- iv. Apartments at old arena site
 1. 200 units
- v. Cortex project
 1. Due to legislation, and revision, will be finalized in next few weeks and unveiled at next City Talk
 2. Groundbreaking project done by urban planners focusing on walkable community concept and sustainable planning

VIII. Next GHNA meeting

- a. Third Tuesday of October at Gibson Heights Church