WPNA Meeting

Oct 11, 2014

WPNA President Martin Luecke called the meeting to order.

Martin announced that he is stepping down as president. We need new volunteers to fill positions in the upcoming WPNA officer elections. We are looking for a treasurer, vice president, ANC representative, and president. A few people have already stated they are interested in filling these positions. People who’d like to be candidates for the officer positions can let Martin know.

Martin recognized new members.

**Newsletter** We need newsletter deliverers on Berkman (CVS, doctor’s office, Baptist Church, etc). If anyone would like to take that delivery contact Martin.

Martin recognized newsletter sponsors.

**Treasurer’s Report** Rebecca presented the budget for next year, which we will need to vote on next meeting. A line has been added for supplies for the park.

We have donated money to the East Austin Caregivers and the church.

**Yard of the Month** – Sara Jane Lee announced Rose and Rob Brooking of 1903 Rogge Lane as the winners of YOM. They were not present at the meeting, but they will receive a $50 gift certificate from Shoal Creek Nursery.

**Parks** – Jeanette announced we are enrolling more yards to become Wildlife Habitat certificate. We had an Austin Parks Foundation match for shade fundraising over the summer and raised $3071, we now have over $21000 in our shade fund. We received money from Frost, Grande, but the rest was from individual donations and tee shirt donations.

The manager at Frost Bank will be hosting a fundraiser for us in the neighborhood and the Frost Bank clientele. Tuesday, December 16 should be the date for the fundraiser, starting about 5:30. We’re considering a beer tasting of local craft beers and tacos.

Bartholomew Park pool is open for extended hours 11-7 weekdays, 1-5 weekends all year long. It is a heated pool. They are working on a cooperative venture with LBJ and Reagan HS to start a lifeguard training session to help provide lifeguards for PARD and a skilled job for kids in the neighborhood that pays above the minimum wage.

Park Stewards meet in the park from 9-11 on Fridays – cleaning up, cutting bamboo, etc. Please let Jeanette know if you are interested in participating. Jeanette recognize Jan ? and Bob Wheless for continuing to maintain the park over the summer.

Martin recognized Bob Wheless for taking over as safety committee chairperson.

**School Committee** – Meghan announced that various volunteer opportunities are being posted on the listserv and some of the great things going on at the schools. She encourages everyone to participate at events at the school or as a volunteer. Blanton Boo Fest and Andrews Fall Festival are both on October 24 from 4-7 pm and these are their biggest fundraisers for the year. Please attend one or both, bring cash, and help them raise funds for their programs.

**Candidates** - Kevin Ludlow, a WP resident, is a candidate for the TX House of Representatives, challenging Dawnna Dukes. He’s running as a libertarian.

Drug reform, civil liberties, LGBTQ equality are his main issues. He welcomes any conversation with people after the meeting.

**District 4 Austin City Council Forum**

Attendees:

Roberto Perez
Louis Herrin
Sharon Mays
Monica Guzman
Marco Mancillas
Greg Casar
Katrina Daniel
Laura Pressley