

March 11, 2017

WPNA Meeting Minutes

Memorial United Methodist Church, 10 am

I. Call to order: Meghan Dougherty called the meeting to order at 10:04 am and welcomed guests and new members. Thanked sponsors and newsletter deliverers. She also reminded people to renew their membership and encourage those without membership to consider joining the WPNA.

II. Minutes: Minutes for January and February were approved.

III. Yard of the Month: Sara Jane Lee presented the Yard of the Month to Richard Castillo on Ridgemont. He will receive a \$50 gift certificate to Shoal Creek Nursery. Yard of the Month pictures are on the Windsor Park Neighborhood website.

IV. My Park, My Pool, My City: Krissie Marty from Forklift Danceworks

Last two weekends in July (21-22-28-29) this organization will be hosting a performance at Bartholomew Pool. Dance company that makes dances with people who don't normally dance- one of their most well-known is with the sanitation department, a documentary called "Trash" Dance was about this event.

This organization is a Nat'l Endowment for the Arts grant recipient. Average age of pools is 50 years old and they really should be renovated every 30 years. For the next three years, Fork Life Danceworks will be focusing on east Austin pools. Looking for people to share stories about Bartholomew Pool. If you know someone who has history about the pool or stories to share, they would like to know. This was the first integrated pool in Austin. Rodney Ahart is on the advisory committee for this project and has additional details for anyone who might have questions. Krissie can be contacted at krissie@forkliftdanceworks.org or call her at 512-222-5287. She will upload some videos of past projects on the WPA Facebook Group page.

V. Biking in East Austin:

Urban Trails: Janae Ryan

Funding through bonds and grants. This organization is part of the city. A map was distributed with the projects, Tier 1 & Tier 2. Tier 1 projects having the highest priority. Members made suggestions about routes that could come through WP, specifically on Belfast. 26 million dollars was approved in the last bond. 6-7 projects will begin with this money, some will be completed, others will just be getting started. Janae can be reached at 512-974-3159 or emailed at Janae.Ryan@AustinTexas.Gov

Bike Austin: Anand Raghathan & Miller Nuttle

This group works on various campaigns around the city to support bike infrastructure within Austin. The organization is thinking about how we get children to school safely by working with the Safe Routes to Schools program. The City of Austin Transportation Dept is holding a meeting, Bike & Walk Talk, to discuss the bond money for bike lanes/programs, March 23 at the WP Library from 6-7:30 pm. Please come and share your opinions! This meeting will help prioritize the funding. Miller can be reached at miller@bikeaustin.org

VI. Results of the sidewalk workshops/survey: Meghan Dougherty shared information from the sidewalk meeting that took place. We had over 200+ responses from the survey. *Most supported streets:* Belfast Drive, Northridge Drive, Corona, Broadmoor, the 290 East Access Road, Briarcliff (north side). Meghan had the survey available on her computer at the meeting for those who didn't have a chance to submit responses yet. Results will be compiled and shared through social media. Margaret Dahl will bring a resolution next month to our meeting based on the results of the survey.

VII. Committee Reports:

Park Committee: Jeanette thanked those who did projects in Bartholomew Park and encouraged WP residents to think about working at your local park in the future. Jeanette would like to revive the Park Stewards program. In the past, eight people would show up to clean up parks and do whatever needs to be done. She is looking for new

and/or returning volunteers. Jeanette would like to revive the playscape shade drive. Individual donors in our neighborhood funded ½ of the \$30,000 needed to do the last shade. Austin Parks Foundation, Miller Community Foundation, the WPA, Frost Bank and IBC Bank funded the rest of the shade. If you have ideas about people who might be approached to help fund this next shade, please let Jeannette know. Jeanette proposed a park in the Patton Lane area. She encouraged us to consider asking APF for a grant to help develop this area. How can we focus attention on this area? What do we want there? Please let Jeanette know if you have any ideas.

Beautification Committee: Next Saturday from 8-10 am, clean-up of Cameron Road. Meet at the parking lot by the Popeyes and Taco Bell. Next meeting is next Thursday, March 16 at Cement Loop at 6:30 pm.

Contact Team: Meeting this Monday from 6:30-8 at the library. Two items on the agenda: 1. Accessible Housing project (1920 Gaston Place) are looking to have 27 units on this property. Looking for suggestions to present to the Accessible Housing group to incorporate into this project. 2. Wheless and Coventry lot- the owner would like to subdivide this lot into six small cottage lots and the developer will present at the contact team on Monday.

Safety Committee: Seeking volunteers for the committee. Elaine Bohls-Graham would like to create a survey to find out what concerns of the community are. Will be setting up a time with neighborhood officers to see what they would like to see. You can contact Elaine through email: safety@windsorpark.info

Schools Committee: Another feedback meeting with the FABPAC will happen at the Baker School on March 21. On March 27, AISD trustees are likely to vote on FABPAC recommendations. April 5 is the next school committee meeting at 7 pm. Juan Pablo, school chair committee, can be reached at Schools@windsorpark.info

VIII. Treasurer's Report from Meg Brooks: A treasurer's report was printed on the back of the agenda. All the money we collected for Harris Elementary has been used to help clothe students. 241 WPA members currently. Many new memberships.

Meghan Dougherty requested money from the membership to print brochures that Emily Vitris is working on for outreach purposes. We hope to have these brochures at the Block Party in April. Would like to request \$200 for an initial printing. Motion was made and seconded for the \$200, all approved, no objections.

IX. Audit Committee Report: Sheryl Cheatham Sheryl discussed the audit report. 2015 and 2016 audit was successful and no issues were identified. Motion to adopt the committee report was seconded and approved. This report will be available on the WPNA website. Sheryl thanked Meg Brooks for all her work in preparing for the audit. Sheryl and the other audit committee members were thanked for their work.

X. CODE NEXT: Brian Graham Basic overview of Code Next was made available at the meeting. Brian prepared a sample of how the changes might affect you. The complete document can be found online (1300-page document). Look at Window on Windsor for more information once the maps have been printed. We will discuss more on Code Next at our May meeting.

XI. Announcements/closing:

We need volunteers for the following positions:

*new transportation committee chair

*webmaster for the WPNA site

*volunteers for the Neighborhood Party on April 8 (sign up at <http://www.volunteersignup.org/9HTX7>)

*newsletter deliverers- contact Amanda, the WOW editor at newsletter@windsorpark.info

Rick Krivoniak encouraged members to invite businesses to our block party on April 8.

Nadia Khan suggested we change the name to the Transportation Committee to Complete Street Committee as this committee encompasses mobility in the neighborhood in many capacities. Meghan suggested putting this on

the next meeting agenda.

Tannehill Branch Creek from Cameron to Berkman- Watershed Protection is starting a big project on March 20. Nadia Khan will post more information on the listserv as she learns more. Friends of Tannehill Branch Creek are hoping to restore the area once the Watershed Protection project is done.

Elaine Bohls-Graham announced that we are very close to \$5000 for the scholarship fund. Please encourage any seniors attending LBJ, LASA or Reagan who live in the neighborhood to apply for the WP scholarship.

Motion was made to adjourn and seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:53 am.