

**Park Hill Improvement Association Meeting Minutes, Spring 2008
submitted by Karen M. Miller, Secretary and Ann Patton, Under-Secretary**

The spring 2008 meeting of the Park Hill Improvement Association was held on Sunday, April 6th at the Columbia Public Library. There was 35 of the 115 households in the Association represented, President Cathy Gunther declared the quorum and the meeting was called to order.

I) Approval of FY 2007 spring and fall meeting minutes

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as read, motion passed unanimously.

I) Financial Report

Treasurer David Roloff reported a year-end balance of \$6,199.01. There were several one-time donations which added to the balance. The treasurer reported thirty households had paid FY2008 dues to date. For FY2007 87% of the neighborhood paid their dues, 17 households donated above their minimum as gifts or park cleanup donation. Expenses are increasing and it is imperative that everyone helps by paying their dues. Annual expenses average between \$8,000 and \$9,500.

III) Discussion of the proposed 2007-2008 Budget

Cathy Gunther presented the proposed budget for 2008. Continuing major expenditures in this year's budget were \$1,700 to Naught Naught Insurance for Officers and Trustee liability Insurance, \$5,500 to \$6,000 for Poehlmann's Lawn and Landscape (Every two weeks from mid-April thru November), tree service \$1,000-\$1,500, miscellaneous expenses \$550 and \$200.00 to Purehost. Anticipated revenue for FY08 is approximately \$7,000 from dues and over \$500 from donations. Motion was made and approved to continue with Poehlmann's Lawn and Landscaping for another year.

IV) Election of Officers & Alternate Trustee

A slate of Officers was submitted by President Cathy Gunther and approved by acclamation. Elected as President J.D. Estes, 201 W. Parkway, Vice-President Sarah Sandkuhl, 10 E. Parkway. Motion was accepted and approved to continue the administrative offices of Secretary Karen M. Miller, 300 W. Parkway, Under-Secretary Ann Patton, 6 E Parkway and Treasurer David Roloff, 200 Edgewood.

Fran Beach resigned as Trustee and Jane Abel Alternate Trustee assumed the position until FY2009. A nomination was made to elect Cathy Gunther by acclamation as Alternate Trustee until the next election for Trustee.

V) Park Hill Neighborhood Directory

The first Park Hill Improvement Association directory was distributed to the dues-paying membership. The directory contains draft descriptions of Park Etiquette and the Tree program. In the etiquette section, there will be no unauthorized plantings allowed without approval of the grounds committee and in concert with the conservation plan. In addition, to "no firearms", the word "weapon" was added, and there was a change from "visitors are liable for their own safety" to "responsible for their own safety".

The Memorial Tree program draft section was discussed concerning the extent of ongoing maintenance of memorial trees. Dr. Kim Jamison, one of the donors, acknowledged she expected the association to do its best to maintain trees, but that she does not expect care into perpetuity. It was decided plaques are fully the donor's responsibility, and that all choices for trees and plaques require approval of the grounds committee.

VI) The Events, Grounds, Traffic and Finance Committees

There was a call for additional volunteers for the committees, volunteers of the Committees are listed below, and President J.D Estes will serve on all committees. The Grounds committee was expanded to deal with the bridge replacement and erosion.

Traffic Committee: Jeannette Thompson, Karen Miller, Dave McDonald, Dave Roloff, Ken Leija, Lou Mazzocco

Events Committee: Jane Abel, Dan Stapleton, Sarah Sandkuhl

Grounds Committee: Cathy Gunther, Judy Redfield, Cliff Tompson, Ken Leija
Sally Beattie

Finance Committee David Roloff

Contact one of the current officers if you are interested in getting involved in a committee. A motion was made to compensate Ray Wiedmeyer for his gas and equipment cost while removing fallen trees and large honeysuckle.

VIII) Spring clean-up

President Gunther announced that the cleanup will be held on Saturday, April 19th from 9a m to 1 pm. The main focus is to remove dead wood & eliminate honeysuckle.

VIV) New Business

Motion was made and approved to keep the association dues the same for another year.

Phil Jones, 200 E. Parkway has agreed to be Stewart Park/PHNIA Web Master, the web address is www.stewartpark.org. Phil demonstrated a prototype of the Association's homepage.

Karen Miller, 300 W. Broadway presented a map of the proposed Historic West Broadway project along with an update of where the project is with the Council. The Council has submitted a request for the engineering proposals. The newly formed traffic committee will be involved, along with the Trustees, on any part of the project affecting the park.

Meeting adjourned.

