

Green Bay Neighborhood Leadership Council

MINUTES

Thursday, January 1, 2015 5:30 p.m.

Riverside Ballroom

1560 Main Street, Green Bay, WI 54302

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEMBERS:

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| <u>X</u> Molly Martzke (Astor) | <u>X</u> Angie Cook (John Muir Park) | <u>X</u> Josh Malcore (Olde Norwood) |
| <u>exc</u> Bobbie Lison (Astor East River) | <u>X</u> Jim Jacque (King of Arms) | <u>X</u> Kevin Kakuk (Preble Area) |
| <u>X</u> Skip Wilson (Baird Creek) | <u>X</u> David Hintz (MacArthur Heights) | <u>X</u> Jane Hansen (Red Smith) |
| <u>abs</u> Dan Piton (Bay Highlands) | <u>abs</u> Beth Nadolski-Spears (Maple Arches) | <u>X</u> Patrick Kloster (Schmitt Park) |
| <u>X</u> Dale Tease (Colburn) | <u>X</u> Jim Ridderbush (Marquette Park) | <u>X</u> Miriah Kelley (Seymour Park) |
| <u>X</u> Doug Brylski (Downtown) | <u>X</u> Deb Hamilton (Mather Heights) | <u>X</u> Debbie Tilot (Starlite) |
| <u>X</u> Trudy Jacobson (East Shore Drive) | <u>X</u> Dave Catalano (McAuliffe Park) | <u>X</u> JoAnn Piepenburg (Three Corners) |
| <u>X</u> Ronsman (Fireman's Park) | <u>X</u> Nancy Boeddicker (Navarino) | <u>X</u> Cindy Guevara (Western Corridor) |
| <u>X</u> Vicki Petersen (Fisk Addition) | <u>X</u> Joe Morgan (Nicolet Drive) | <u>X</u> Garritt Bader (Whitney) |
| <u>X</u> William Peters (Fort Howard) | <u>X</u> Dan Theno (Oak Grove) | <u>exc</u> Scott Vanidestine (Wilder Park) |
| <u>X</u> Stephanie Geurts (Fritsch Park) | <u>X</u> Rosa Herrera (Olde North) | <u>X</u> Mike Engelke (Woodside Hts) |
| <u>X</u> Shawn Kassien (Joannes Park) | | |

APPOINTED MEMBERS:

exc Mayor Jim Schmitt
exc Noel Halvorsen, Executive Director of NeighborWorks Green Bay, Chair
X Cheryl Renier-Wigg, Neighborhood Development Supervisor, Vice-Chair
X Billie Jo Horsens, Neighborhood Development Specialist, Treasurer
X Caitlin Green, Neighborhood Support Specialist, Secretary
abs Melanie Skalmoski, Neighborhood Watch

Roll Call: CSI's, Alderman Moore, Alderman Nennig, Alderman Scannell, & Alderman Wiezbiskie

1. Consent Agenda

- a. Chairperson Noel Halvorsen was excused, so the meeting of January 6, 2015 was called to order at 5:30pm by Vice-Chair, Cheryl Renier-Wigg.
- b. Minutes of November 5, 2015 were approved with a motion made by Skip Wilson of Baird Creek Neighborhood Association and seconded by Nancy Boeddicker of Navarino Neighborhood Association. All in favor, motion carried.
- c. A current financial report was approved with a motion made by Skip Wilson of Baird Creek Neighborhood Association and seconded by Dave Catalano of McAuliffe Park Neighborhood Association. All in favor, motion carried.
- d. Melanie Skalmoski, Noel Halvorsen, and Mayor Jim Schmitt have reached the end of their term as appointed members of the GBNLC. Officers terms are up as well. Due to their absence, a motion was made by Jane Hansen of Red Smith Neighborhood Association and seconded by Patrick Kloster of Schmitt Park Neighborhood Association to move the election of officers and board appointees to the February GBNLC meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

2. 2016 Budget Discussion

- a. The 2016 GBNLC budget was reviewed line item by line item.
- b. Discussion took place on the Activity Equipment line item, with the suggestion of adding an extra \$1,000 to the budget to purchase a grill for Neighborhood Association use. Motion was made by Skip Wilson of Baird Creek Neighborhood Association and seconded by Trudy Jacobson of East Shore Drive Neighborhood Association. All in favor, motion carried.
- c. Discussion took place on the need for an accounting professional to assist in tax forms.

- d. Discussion took place on Neighborhood Signs & Maintenance. Due to the age of a significant portion of Neighborhood Association signs, some of them are in need of repair. If you feel your sign is in need of repair, please submit a photo and description of your request to billijoho@greenbaywi.gov. Secondly, it is common for Woodpeckers to damage signs with round holes that appear to be similar to bullet holes. If you notice this on your sign, do not jump to the conclusion that it was a bullet hole.
 - e. The floor was open to suggestions to add or eliminate items from the budget. No further suggestions were made. A motion to approve \$103,900 as the 2016 GBNLC operating budget was made by Skip Wilson of Baird Creek Neighborhood Association and seconded by Dave Hintz of MacArthur Heights Neighborhood Association. All in favor, motion carried.
3. NHAs and political activities
- a. There are 31 Alderperson candidates vying for 12 seats. Election information can be found online at <http://greenbaywi.gov/agencies/admin-services/clerk/election-information/>.
 - b. Candidates can come to Neighborhood Association meetings; we actually encourage them to come. Make sure the candidates do not take over or run the meeting. It is the job of the President to keep the meeting on track.
 - c. We encourage Neighborhood Associations to have candidate meet & greets or candidate forums. When having these events, be sure to invite all candidates running in the district that your Neighborhood Association represents. Log the date you contacted said candidates, save the emails or write down the time you called them in case a candidate insists he or she was not invited. Be sure not to hold these events on nights of City Council meetings or other nights when current Alderpersons are unavailable. This may appear as favoritism.
 - d. Work with the Common Neighborhood Associations in your district to hold these events and get the word out to vote!
 - e. Neighborhood Associations that are a 501(c)(3) cannot endorse any political candidates!
 - f. Remember as individual citizens, you can support and work for any candidate. If you use your name with your title as NHA president, you are then representing your neighborhood. So be mindful of if you are working on a campaign.
 - g. Explain to your neighborhood the importance of local elections. City Council members vote on issues that involve streets, parks, police, fire, neighborhoods, budgets as well as individual issues such as zoning changes, the upcoming Lambeau Field Tax, and the Oneida service agreement. Having an Alderperson they can work with is critical.
4. City Staff Update
- a. Discussion on a bus trip to Madison in late spring to check out their neighborhoods. A consensus was made that a week day would work better than weekend, as long as sufficient notice is given.
 - b. Caitlin Green will have her last day as Neighborhood Support Specialist on February 5, 2015. It is possible that the Community Services Dept. will be reorganizing so there may be changes in the department. Staff is hopeful to add a full time neighborhood support staffer to assist with the 42 NHA in Green Bay.
5. Open Forum
- NHA representatives went around the table to discuss upcoming events and meeting reports. Follows are upcoming event highlights and suggestions.
- a. Oak Grove Neighborhood Association will have their Annual Meeting on February 25th combined with a BINGO event.
 - b. East Shore Drive Neighborhood Association recommended everyone complete a NeighborWorks survey. The purpose of this survey is to figure out what people know and do not know about NeighborWorks. You can find it on the NeighborWorks Green Bay website.
 - c. Olde North Neighborhood Association recommended Minuteman Press as a great place to work with for Neighborhood Association print jobs.
 - d. Joannes Park Neighborhood Association partnered with Elevation Church in December to give

- out over 200 bags of household necessities to homes in their neighborhood. They called the event a “Blessing Bag Give Away.” Joannes Park recommends working with Elevation Church if they reach out to your Association.
- e. King of Arms Neighborhood Association recently suffered the loss of a founding board member, Dennis Harold. They consider him the Founding Father of their Association. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.
 - f. Astor Neighborhood Association is having their annual wine tasting event on January 30th from 7-10pm and a neighborhood meeting regarding the Certified Local Government and historic preservation on January 18th.
 - g. Baird Creek Neighborhood Association hosted their Annual Meeting on December 12, 2015 which included pizza and drinks by Mangiamo Pizza and the approval of the board for the 2016 calendar year, with all board members remaining the same.
6. Adjournment
- a. Meeting adjourned at 6:52pm.