

Meeting Minutes-October 1, 2008
Mt. Scott-Arleta NA

Board Members Present: Shawna Fuller, Walt Nichols, Phyllis Shelton, Alyssa Agee, Scott Vala,
Neighbors and Guests: Sgt. Phil Blanchard, Marianne Colgrove, Ruthann Bedenky, Marla Turner,
Vicky Oglesbee, Phil Blanchard, Mariya Coughlin, Molly Pucillo, Tim Hammock, Harry Reeves

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.

Officer Report: Sergeant Blanchard reports on our neighborhood statistics. A dope-rip in the area recently. Heard reports of a homicide on 66th, a homeowner apparently shot an intruder but Sgt. Blanchard could not confirm this report. Reports on diminishing number of officers on the streets and the effects that we're feeling from that. Discussion of the prostitution issues on SE 82nd and getting the PFCs reinstated.

SEUL Guests: SE Uplift Representative here with announcements. Leah H. new Land use person. Mon, October 20th at SE Uplift at 7pm will be land use committee meeting. Streetcar surveys are due on Oct 31st. Can be taken online. Marianne talks about the SE Uplift board. At the moment Mt. Scott-Arleta does not have a board member at SE Uplift. Board is currently working on strategic plan for next three years. Wants to make an effort to get input from neighborhoods about concerns/relevant issues. Wants to hear from everybody about what you have going on/what your concerns are. Oct 19th is planned board retreat to start this process. First monday of the month, unless its a holiday and then first Thursday. Form must be filled out to appoint board member. Working to collect neighborhood histories.

Monthly Reports:

Mt. Scott Community Center: Center just reopened after 2 week closure for maintenance. New countertop in women's bathroom, lots of painting, new light fixtures in pool area, fitness room equipment rearranged. Fitness classes to start next week. Fall Family Fun Night otherwise known as Harvest Festival Friday Oct 17th 6:30-8:30. Kids can wear costumes. Concessions provided by NA. New staff in pool- Steve Kavanaugh, and Molly was hired for Rec. Coordinator at ¾ time for teen programs.

Molly and the mural project: project is progressing. New date for application to city is Feb 4th. Initial sketch is in and second sketch is on the way. Letters of support are needed. Building owner, Arleta Library Cafe, and Space Monkey are all writing letters of support. Will Neighborhood Association write letter? Do we have standing authorization to write this letter? Yes, we do.

Triangle Project: \$300 needed for welding project. Do we want to give the triangle project \$300 to hire a welder and weld the canopy up to standard. Donation or loan? We haven't earmarked funds towards the project in awhile. Can we see a receipt before we allocate funds?
-Marla. Wait until we see invoice and then vote on money to donate/loan.

Library: Vicki brought event fliers for library. New program installed for print management to make sure that copies/prints made are paid for.

Treasurer: Roughly spent \$2500 on block party. \$3200 in account right now with about \$200 in reimbursements need to be paid out. \$1147.63 communication budget for this year has already been

given to us. That's why our account is so meaty right now. Need to replace a banner this year and order more shirts.

Land use: Nothing new, really. Some lots with new divisions (2 or 3 parcels). These are reasonable divisions. Should be tasteful. Straightforward land use requests. 66th and Knight: man running a store out of a tent on his property. Man emailed Shawna and SE Uplift about it and wanted to know what they can do about it. Cars are double parked. Emailed back last week and said he would act on suggestions from Shawna who gave him resources to call the city.

Transportation: Nothing new from Jim at this point.

Website: Update from Marla. Right now Marla has all the power concerning the website. How do we want to go forward with the website content? What's the process for deciding what goes on the website? Needs protocol to make this decision. Land use updates/minutes go on website. Updates specific to our neighborhood obviously go up on the website. What about info that is not directly related to neighborhood? If it relates to neighborhood post, if not then it doesn't belong on the website. Posts only on events/news pertaining to our neighborhood only. If it's on the website in many senses, it says we endorse it. Direct partnership/history with or directly involved with neighborhood association should go on website. Do we need a communications subcommittee? Big issues need to be brought up at the meeting.

Montavilla in Action Workgroup: Are we going to endorse the prostitution action? They don't appear to be a rogue group. Police would like to see PFCs back. Ruthann heard from the group last night and they are asking for support to bring back prostitution free zones. Phyllis makes a motion to support efforts to reinstate prostitution free zones. Marla seconds. Walt-send copies to group and city. 9 in favor, 1 abstention.

Small Grants: Deadline is Nov 3rd. Neighborhood watch signs-could the neighborhood purchase the signs if the blocks organized the watch? Walt has organized his neighborhood watch but they chose not to put up signs. They've been together for over a year and seen great results because of it, doesn't see the need for the signs. Max Margolis and Katherine are Crime Prevention Coordinators for SE Uplift.

Volunteers for the Harvest Festival Concessions needed for this month. Come up with assorted goodies to fit into Harvest theme? Early shift. Shawna at both. Walt will be at both. Harry Reeves tentatively available. 6-7:45pm is early shift 7:30-9pm is late shift. Phyllis available for both shifts. call/email Harry a reminder. Scott possibly available.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm.

Submitted by Alyssa Agee