

Minutes of the November 5th, 2008
Downtown Neighborhood Association
Board of Directors Meeting

Call to Order: President, Ms. Brooke Avila, called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Roll Call: President Brooke Avila, Board Members Ms. Beth Rudisill, Ms. China Wong, Ms. Stacy Berenguel, Mr. Michael Eberle, and Sgt. Misti Allison were present.

Discussion Topics

Approval of 10.1.08 Minutes

Ms. Wong motioned to approve. Ms. Avila seconded.

Des Moines Police Department Report

Sgt. Misti Allison reported that the East Village Neighborhood Association is recruiting new members. She also noted that it will host its annual Holiday Promenade on November 21st. Court Avenue will host a New Year's Eve Party, which is estimated to attract 10,000 people.

President's Report

Ms. Avila presented summaries of the Metro Lofts Project and Rumely Project. Ms. Jackie Nicholas asked that the board provide a letter of approval for the projects. The board asked that Ms. Nicholas present the projects to the board in 2009.

Ms. Avila noted that Mr. Brett Fine has resigned from the Board of Directors.

Treasurer's Report

Current balance is \$5027.50 in the checking account, while the PayPal account has \$339.91. Total is \$5367.41. Ms. Wong motioned to approve. Ms. Berenguel seconded.

Committee Reports

Membership Committee

Ms. MacQuigg noted that household memberships have decreased by ten since August 2008. Brilliant Sky Toys and Books (Hubbell) is a new business member; the business is offering 10% off any purchase.

Social

Ms. Rudisill noted that the holiday social will be at Jasper Winery on December 4th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. Jasper Winery will provide wine; Mr. Eberle will check with Wakonda Club for a quote on three appetizers for approximately 75 people. Ms. Rudisill will get a price quote from Proof. The board approved a \$500 budget for appetizers. There will also be a toy drive for Mentor Iowa at the event. All members are encouraged to donate toys; the event will be promoted via emails.

New Business

The board approved to have the Annual Meeting at Azalea on January 22 or January 22, 2009. Brooke will confirm that Azalea is available on either of those dates. The meeting announcement will be posted on the DNA website and emailed at least 45 days before the event. Nominations need to be received by at least 20 days before the event, while ballots will be mailed at least 15 days before the event.

Old Business

The board agreed that all DNA members can vote for their logo choice at the Annual Meeting in January.

Adjournment

Mr. Eberle motioned to adjourn. Ms. Berenguel seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:19 PM.