

NAVARINO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 13, 2011

Navarino Neighborhood Association advocates literacy, embraces the diversity, and promotes Navarino as a great family neighborhood.

In attendance: Ann Hartman, Linda Bosetski, Chris King, Rob Miller, Cindy Mills, Nancy Boeddicker, Tonissa and Bob VerHaagh Officer Paul VanHandel , Ken Kasten, , Dan Teaterz, Phil Peterson, Julie Wrubbel-Lange, Tom & Monica Pecor

- Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM at NeighborWorks by President, Ann Hartman
- Last month's minutes will be sent out by Linda
- Linda gave Treasurer's report –Balance of \$734.80
- Officer Paul VanHandel gave report on Navarino neighborhood. Talked about “pick them out-knock them out” game brought up from Chicago gangs. The victim that was ‘picked out’ is a student at East High School. He was taken to the hospital but is ok.

Green Bay Police Department is working on changing the face of crisis intervention. Officers will be meeting with Mark Seidel and Monica Jacobsen to discuss a current program that they are involved in, to determine if a similar program can be utilized in Green Bay. The officers plan on looking into other avenues working with St. John's homeless shelter to aid alcoholics and/or drug abusers who are chronically picked up and put into the detox center by finding programs to help them.

Police Department is also working with landlords of nuisance properties and will continue to monitor these properties.

- Deby Dehn will talk with Optimist club regarding donations.
- There is a little money left over from mini-grant to beautify the corner of Walnut and Webster to hopefully paint the Navarino Neighborhood sign. Solar lights will be researched.
- **‘Movie Night’** this Friday, June 17th at dusk, approximately 8:45pm. “The Blind Side’ will be shown which is a movie based on the true story of Leigh Anne and Sean Tuohy who take in a homeless teenage African-American, Michael “Big Mike”. Three Corners Neighborhood will rent a popcorn machine. Navarino Neighborhood will sell water, glow sticks and glow necklaces. It was requested to have some CSI's there to help monitor. It is also requested that **Navarino Neighborhood volunteers show up at 8pm to set things up**
- **The Navarino Neighborhood Annual Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, August 10th at 5:30pm. Ann is checking on the possibility of the school system helping with food. If they cannot, it was decided that we, as a neighborhood, will serve hot dogs, juice, chips, and cookies.

At the annual meeting, there will be a vote for board members and amenities for the ‘new’ Navarino Park. **It is requested for board member to please be at park by 5:00pm to set up.**

- Chris King reported that approximately 26 people voted on amenities for the new park to hopefully include a splash pad, ice rink, ½ basketball court and community gardens to name a few requests
- Chris King will get newsletter together and hopefully will be ready to be distributed by August 1st. An email will be sent out to all. Please contact Ann to let her know what streets you can distribute the newsletter.
- **Walk and Talk with the Mayor** will take place on Wednesday, August 17th at 5:30pm.
- Tom Pecor asked for input regarding the existing empty building on the corner of Stuart and Jackson across from the current Navarino Park. He asked if the neighborhood would approve of the Green Bay Model Railroad Club renting space to set up their railroad models. It was suggested this would be another positive for our neighborhood. Tom will look further into this possibility, checking with the Green Bay Parks Department and the Railroad Club.
- Phil Peterson of St. Paul's Lutheran Church asked if Navarino Neighborhood Association would be interested in collaborating with them on a beautification program along East Mason to create a better 'curb appeal' for the neighborhood. The possibility of a mini-grant was discussed. It was agreed by all this would be a positive improvement.
- Dan Teaterz discussed a traffic study that was done on a section of Crooks Street regarding the speeding issues. Next step is to set up radar and increase police presence. He mentioned the idea of having Crooks Street as one of the main linkages for a bike route between Fox River Trail and East River Trail. He also would like to entertain the idea of striping curb lanes and a bike route, along with miniature round-a-bouts to slow traffic.

Dan also suggested starting with a written plan if we want 'community gardens'. He has a diagram for building an easy access to rainwater from a barrel to water these gardens.

- 'Stories in the Park' has readers such as Reid Ribble, Tom Mahoney and First Methodist Church volunteers.
- There will not be a July Navarino Neighborhood meeting.
- Next Navarino Neighborhood Association meeting will be the **Annual Meeting** which will be held on Wednesday, August 10th at 5:30 at Navarino Park @ 6pm.
- Our Mission is to combat juvenile delinquency and prejudice in the Navarino Neighborhood www.navarinonow.info 920-345-NAV2 or 920-345-6282