

Minutes

Astor Neighborhood Association, Inc. – Mon., February 15, 2010 – 6:00 PM

Howe Neighborhood Family Resource Center, 526 S. Monroe Ave, Green Bay

1) ROLL CALL

present: J. Frank, President, C. Kime, Vice President; P. Schleis, Secretary/Treasurer;
M. Van Handel, J. Danen, S. Heverly, J. Sharp, A. Higgins, B. Weycker, J. Weycker
absent: J. Schwenk

2) APPROVAL OF JANUARY 2010 MINUTES: some spelling corrections

3) TREASURER'S REPORT/BILLS

M/S/C to approve the amended Jan. 2010 minutes, and the Feb. 2010 Treasurer's report.

4) INVITED GUESTS

- a. Tony Theisen, Alderperson: absent
- b. Officer Paul Van Handel: absent
- c. CSI's: no report

5) ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Newsletter – plan to have it out by the 1st week of March, before our annual meeting. Deadline for submission of articles is Feb. 22. Articles will include: wine tasting photos, the Easter egg hunt, and usual events. Thanks, Jamie, for taking over the newsletter editing, and thanks, Joann, for all your excellent work with the newsletter. In gratitude for Dave Duffy playing at the Wine Tasting event for free, we'll give him a free newsletter ad for a year.

b. Wine Tasting –another huge success, and many thanks to all who helped. We had the highest profit ever, and also saved about \$500 by not sending out a flyer. See the financial report provided by Andrew Higgins

M/S/C to add to the proceeds, to donate a total of \$2000 to the Howe Resource Center.

c. Easter Egg Hunt – Sat., April 03, at St. James Park. We'll provide free popcorn. There was some discussion about attempts to include the Astor East River organization in past Easter egg hunts.

d. Spring Fox River Clean-Up – Sat., April 24. Will be announced at the annual meeting, and the Easter egg hunt. Mike will put up signs, and Christian will check with the Ethan House for possible volunteer help.

e. Fox River Parkway Art -- Christian gave an update on the progress. A \$10,000 grant will be sought, with local artists, if possible.

M/S/C to approve a beautification project for the Astor Neighborhood Association, at the corner of Porlier and Adams, contingent on reception of the grant. The beautification project should be functional.

6) OLD BUSINESS

a. Facebook Page Guidelines – we won't identify children by name, in any pictures posted, nor will phone numbers be posted. Email addresses, and other information presently on our web site, can be posted.

b. Hazelwood Membership/ Sponsorship – our donation puts the Astor Neighborhood Association at a \$500 level. Chris Dunbar can pull any funds out of that donation, for neighborhood projects.

c. Annual Meeting-- Mon., March 15, 6:30 PM, at First Ev. Lutheran Church, 743 S. Monroe Ave. Scheduled speakers are: Mayor Schmitt, Alderman Theisen, Jeff Merkes, our CPs, and Jeff Gibson (from the Green Bay School Board, information about the proposed referendum).

d. Neighborhood Association Fees – nothing new.

e. New Officers – Board members will be elected to specific Executive Committee offices at the April Board meeting.

f. Strategic Planning – Jacqueline took us through activity priorities and goals, both short and long term. We feel we are strong on social involvement, and might wish to branch into some other activities. The activity list was actively discussed, with some activities more popular than others. There will be an attempt to revive the *House Kudos* in the Astor Outlook newsletter.

7) NEW BUSINESS

Our webmaster, Eric Vandeveld, will be invited to our April Board meeting, to discuss ideas for the web site and possible new software.

8) OPEN FORUM – nothing

9) ADJOURN, 7:20 PM

Our next ANA Board Meeting will be Mon., March 15, 2010, 6:00 PM, at First Ev. Lutheran Church 743 S. Monroe Ave. Green Bay, WI 54301

Respectfully submitted,

Pastor Paul Schleis, secretary/treasurer