

Minutes

Astor Neighborhood Association, Inc. – Mon., January 20, 2014 – 6:00 PM
First Ev. Lutheran Church – 743 S Monroe Ave. Green Bay, WI

1. Roll Call

Present: Molly Martzke, Vice President; Paul Schleis, Secretary/Treasurer; Katie Houle, Kevin Vonck, Jennifer Lenz, Sara Wall

Absent (excused): Andy Rosendahl, President; Skip Heverly, Justin Challe

Absent (unexcused): Tina Ryback

2. Guests

Astor Neighbors, Officer Paul Van Handel, Alderman Tim DeWane, County Supervisor Erik Hoyer, many visitors involved with homeless centers and HOPE team, Joe Costello (Alderman candidate, 1200 block of Grignon) and wife Sumi, David Boyce (Alderman Dist. 7)

**3. Approval of Meeting minutes – December 2013 mtg.
Treasurer's Report/Bills**

M/S/C to approve the Dec. 2013 minutes and the Jan. 2014 treasurer's report.

4. Announcements and Committee Reports

a. Officer Van Handel & HOPE Committee Discussion: Power Point presentation (Pastor Schleis has a copy). Officer Van Handel started with a history of downtown issues, including homelessness. St. John the Evangelist does house a number of the homeless, but in the evening. Homeless there now in the 70s. The police dept., in financial and manpower costs, would be in favor of a daytime shelter.

Lutheran Social Services (LSS) (Jane, Wellspring) was invited in, to help with daytime, M-Fri, 9-5:30/ Sun. Noon-4 PM. adult drop-in centers. Proposed: New Visions Resource Center, with community involvement and support. Need to be within walking distance of downtown resources. LSS now working to secure a grant.

David then presented the proposed location: 600 S. Adams/100 E. Mason. Presently owned by Bob Vanderkelen (sp.?). Bellin parking lot nearby. Would need to update and beautify the location. Initial to rent, possibly to own. ANA members mentioned past problems with trying to sell/lease that location. Questions asked about neighborhood/family safety concerns, as these individuals would now be drawn into our Astor Neighborhood/Howe School/Fox River trail area (some people fishing there, intoxication issues). LSS: a lot of self-discipline, and would call police if needed.

Plans the next 30 days = meet with ANA board, meet with Mayor Schmidt, secure permits and lease, secure financial resources.

b. Update from Supervisor Erik Hoyer: see candidatesøforum below.

c. Newsletter (Kevin): questions about an email about the online newsletter. We will still need a mailed newsletter, 4 per year for the Neighborhood grant. Discussion about layout by Julie, then printing by Seaway (gratis by Seaway). Discussion about updating the web site, putting the newsletter there in PDF format, etc.

d. Alderperson Tim DeWane: here with HOPE presentation.

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5. Old Business

a. Wine Tasting (Molly): Fri. Jan. 31. Molly with marketing and promotion. 38 registered so far (61 total at the end last year). Zockert (Porlier and Monroe, SW corner) and Stoeffel (Porlier, brown, new porch) houses. Put on Facebook, and email blasts. Maybe flyers in the future. Using Captain's Walk for the wine, just for variety. Would still need food donations, and other gifts for the silent auction.

b. Potential Candidate Forum w/adjacent neighborhood associations: Feb. 11, 6-8:15 PM, Brown Co. Library. Feb. 18 primary, April 1 elections.

c. House Year Plaques ó no further info.

d. Ethan House: willing to take over the maintenance of the landscaping for our Astor Neighborhood sign on Monroe Ave. We'd take care of supplies. Molly will find the original planting plans, and check with Cheryl about supplies from the city.

Will continue to work with Ethan House for other volunteer opportunities.

6. New Business / Open Forum

- March 17 ANA annual meeting. First Lutheran has agreed to host, as in the past.

7. Adjourn, 7:37 PM.

Our next ANA Board Meeting will be Mon. February 17, 2014
at First Ev. Lutheran Church 743 S. Monroe Ave. Green Bay, WI

Respectfully submitted,
Pastor Paul Schleis, secretary/treasurer