

Westbury Civic Club Board Meeting

January 2015

Westbury Baptist Church

Minutes – 01/21/15

Members Present:

Amanda Bess, Jennifer Edmondson, Libby Mondello, Stephanie Lester, Rocio Lara, Robert Montgomery, Cindy Chapman, Virginia Livingston, David Cummins, Mark Knoblauch, Leslee Cross, Robert Capps, Jeff Benevidez, Jeffrey Weiss, Marcia Hartman, Becky Edmondson, Joe Niles, Eugene Sirls

Meeting was called to order by WCC President Becky Edmondson at 7:02PM

Constables gave a brief overview of their unit

- Overview of vacation watch options for homeowners who will be away for extended times
- Homeowners should discuss with alarm companies as to where the alert phone call should go
- Discussed the home security inspection option available to resident

WCC Secretary Mark Knoblauch announced that the minutes have been distributed to the board

- Marcia Hartman made a motion to accept the minutes
- Motion was seconded

WCC Secretary David Cummins gave the financial report to the board

WCC President's Report:

Westbury High School:

- HISD Board voted against WHS campus expansion by eminent domain on 1-15-15.
- Money promised for Westbury high has been reduced from what was originally discussed
- Public meeting has been discussed to determine what the best course of action Westbury has
- Principal Catchings has asked for more interaction with the school, such as through VIPS
- Discussion was raised as to how to build involvement in the community toward WHS

Meyer Library – discussion of new location and WCC offices w/in the library

Southern Crushed Concrete - no significant updates

Neighborhood USA will be visiting Houston this year, Westbury is hoping to be a host neighborhood and apply for neighborhood of the year. More information will be sent

WCC President asked Jeff Benevides to present about the Super Neighborhood Action Plan regarding data he collected from area residents highlighting needed improvements to the area

WCC President mentioned that the willow water hole has applied for two grants and has asked WCC to publicize their summer program.

Discussion that a Willow Waterhole member (Howard) could come to a WCC meeting to present an overview of the Willow Waterhole improvements.

Board Reports

WCC Security Director had no major issues to report

WCC Treasurer had nothing of significance to report

Section Reports:

- Westbury 5: Nothing to report
- Parkwest 2: Nothing to report
- Parkwest 3: Nothing to report
- Westbury South: Robert Capps discussed the effort to get stumps removed from trees cut by the city, and to report unkempt lawns to 3-1-1
- Westbury 4: Repeated the emphasis for stump grinding. Also mentioned that 3-1-1 now has a mobile app. Also, discussed the issue of cars that remain unmoved in driveways.
- Westbury 2: Some sidewalks are collecting dirt and mud, which forces people to walk in the street. Something must be done to get chronically muddy sections of sidewalk cleaned up
- Westbury 5: Volunteer list has a few more responses but would be helped by a Crier article. Reports of graffiti in the area – Jennifer noted that graffiti should be reported to www.braysoaksmid.org for cleanup.

General Business

Jennifer Edmonson reported that any fences along South Main that have fallen over must be fixed

Stephanie Lester reported that some sections of Westbury need 'Yard of the Month' judges

Marcia Hartman reported on the Westbury Garden and noted that some plots are available to rent

WCC President noted that Arbor Day is approaching, and District K will be planting trees

WCC Office Manager Jennifer Edmondson discussed getting the office manager a phone rather than a tablet for synching pictures

Membership letters are currently being prepared for mailing

Resident noted that Westbury High will be having a gala this spring. More info at www.friendswhs.org

Meeting was adjourned at 9:01 PM

Submitted by WCC Secretary Mark Knoblauch