

Kern Place Association, Board Meeting Minutes

May 26, 2016

The KPA Board meeting was called to order at 8:10 PM.

Board members present were John Byrd, Barbara Christopher, Charles Intebi, David Nemir, John Newfang, Keith Pannell, James Rupley, and John Russell.

Minutes

To save time, Barbara Christopher emailed the minutes of the previous meeting to Board members. David Nemir moved to accept those minutes and John Newfang seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Andrew Dand was not present but sent a copy of his treasurer's report. It was noted that the treasurer will check the KPA post office box at least once a month. John Boyd will look into getting a cheaper post office box than the current one.

Newsletter/Membership

John Russell requested that he be replaced as membership chairman or at least have help with the membership recruitment and record keeping. He would still like to edit the bi-yearly newsletter which will be printed by Jamey Rupley. Jamey passed out old KPA newsletters to give members an idea of what information it might contain. It is anticipated that officers and chairmen will furnish articles. Barbara Christopher volunteered to furnish recipes. It was suggested that all of the organizing for the year be completed before a newsletter is sent out.

Note: On June 6, 2016, Barbara Christopher volunteered to keep a master list of members which contains their name, house address, telephone number, email address, date of last contact and dues status.

Publicity

Ted Escobedo was not able to attend, but did send a handout.

Ted will work with Jamey Rupley and John Byrd to get a unified identity in print and social media. On the handout was a more fully developed logo. Suggested tagline is "There's no place like Kern Place." It was decided to send logo suggestions to Ted.

Ted will contact Jamey to verify print costs for the newsletter and begin to solicit ads to cover the cost. Tentative date for first newsletter will be August, 2016.

The next issue of onekernplace magazine is July, 2016. Ted will work with Charlie Intebi on the content of an ad and/or article.

Parks

John Newfang reported that Joel McKnight, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director, is proposing the installation of an 8 foot wide natural surface (chad/screenings) path along the outer perimeter of the park. He would like us to be involved in the design process. The board is enthusiastic about helping to plan this project! Suggestions were to have a walking path, not a jogging path, have benches next to the path and have a curb on the park side of the path to contain the chad. It was noted that maintenance has recently been performed on the park grass.

It was reported that Peter Svarzbein said that the whole playground will be redone and that he will check on the electric pole

We will not authorize any fertilizer applications by Truegreen until John Newfang contacts the City to see what they will be doing for the park. The hope is that the City will fertilize adequately so that KPA does not have to supplement in this area as it has had to in the past.

Zoning/Business District

Keith Pannell reported on his meeting with Carlos Gallinar. Keith asked for a city planning procedure whereby Kern Place residents will be involved in all design decisions for our neighborhood. Specifically, we want to be involved with the Sun City Lights Project and the Heritage Corridor arch and street changes. These projects have already been funded at \$1.5 million. It was suggested that the Board work as partners with the Kern Place business community.

Charlie Intebi said he is in the process of scheduling a meeting between Carlos Gallinar, Peter Svarzbein and the Board to discuss these concerns. Note: This meeting took place on June 1, 2016.

Neighborhood Association Registration

Barbara Christopher reported that KPA is now a registered Neighborhood Association. We are not on the interactive map on the City Neighborhood Association web site, but we soon will be. KPA members can attend the El Paso Neighborhood Coalition (EPNC) which meets the third Monday of each month at 6:00 at the Pat O'Rourke Center.

Note: As of June 6, 2016, KPA is on the interactive map.

KPA web site

Jamey Rupley has transferred the web site to the new domain and will maintain and update the web site. The Weebly web site has expired.

Bank account cosigner

Barbara Christopher volunteered to be a cosigner on our KPA bank account at WestStar Bank along with Charlie Intebi

The meeting adjourned at 9:44 PM