

Elvehjem Neighborhood Association

Board Meeting Minutes

February 1, 2023, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Pinney Library

I. Welcome (6:30-6:45) Time: 6:34 PM

- a. Call to order (Dan) Present: Dan, Pete, Jacob, Kim B, Alice, CJ, Kristy, Kim R, Bobby, and Dylan. Guest: Pastor Andrew.
- b. Approval of the agenda (All) Item F added to New Business.
- c. Word on the Street (All)
 - i. The Bt Farms project is an investment group proposing a new “agri-hood” offering low-cost housing, farming, racial justice and wealth-building located on County AB (Buckeye Rd) and Fankhauser Rd. Board members hope there's a farmer's market as well.
 - ii. Dan & Cara are expecting twin girls. Everyone wished them congratulations.

II. Reports (6:45 - 7:15)

- a. Secretary's report (Kim)
 - i. Five hundred magnets have been ordered. Delivery expected on Feb 14.
 - ii. T-Shirts were given to Bob for adding ENA graphics. Dylan and Kim R still need shirts, plus we'll have extras.
 - iii. Discuss plans to transition over to new Secretary
 1. Kim will work directly with Kristy.
 - iv. Welcome committee leadership / plans
 1. Jacob will lead the committee. He will maintain the Home Sales spreadsheet.
 2. At the monthly board meeting , board members will volunteer to deliver ENA material to our new residents approx. 60 days after the closing date.
- b. Treasurer's report (Jacob)
 - i. Board members were polled for their thoughts on a spend vs. save budget for 2023. Consensus is for saving money in case another unforeseen event like COVID or a recession occurs. We also discussed setting money aside for future projects like replacing our neighborhood signs and improving the LVM park nature play area.
 - ii. 2023 Membership kicked into gear thanks to promotion in the latest Extra newsletter.
- c. Echo report (Dan)
 - i. Dan will send the Echo template to the board via email.
 - ii. Advertising (Jacob) [Jacob, did we discuss raising our rates? Nothing in my notes. Please provide details if so.](#)
- d. Extra report (Pete)
 - i. It's been a year since we started the Extra. Readership remains consistent.

III. New Business (7:15 - 7:45)

- a. 2023 [Calendar of Events](#)
 - i. Confirm D16 virtual forum date/time
 1. Forum is set for March 22, at 6:30 PM. Pete will lead and Dan will assist.
 - ii. Confirm Back to School Bash date/time
 1. Date set for August 19 from 11A -1P
 - iii. Confirm primary owners and co-owners for each event

1. See Event Assignments at the end of the minutes.
 - a. 2023 Officer Nominations (vote to approve)
 - i. Pete made a motion to approve the board members. Kim R. seconded. All votes in favor. None opposed.
 - ii. *President - Dan Collins*
 - iii. *VP - Pete Schramm*
 - iv. *Secretary - Kristy Bark*
 - v. *Treasurer - Jacob Wright*
 - b. 2023 Survey w/ Membership Drive (Pete)
 - i. Pete went over his ideas for our survey which generated a good discussion of what to ask and what we hope to gather by polling our residents. Pete will send a Google doc link so members can submit questions for the survey. He plans to use SurveyMonkey to analyze results.
 - c. Insurance needs (Jacob)
 - i. Jacob is getting 3 quotes for renewing ENA's insurance coverage which expires in July.
 - d. Grant for ENA (Pete)
 - i. Pete attended the virtual webinar led by Linda Horvath. Money can be used for community enhancement or leadership/capacity building.. Any project for improving park property must also be approved by Madison Parks dept. First proposal is due Feb 13. Deadline is Feb 20. Pete will submit a proposal for replacing the ENA's South Thompson Dr/ East Buckeye sign. Bob will assist with cost estimating.
 - e. Kim shared a question from a resident asking if ENA maintains a list of kids available for snow shoveling like our babysitter list. Other suggestions included maintaining a list for leaf raking and other yard work.
 - i. Additional action is needed: Create a Google sheets doc, advertise sign-up and promote its availability.
- IV. **Upcoming Events (7:45-8:15)**
 - a. Website Special Meeting (Feb 9) Bob, Kristy Pete and Dan will attend.
 - b. Annual Meeting (April 15) Follow playbook, invite elected officials, Alexa Graham, D 16 candidates, reserve room at Our Saviour's, etc.
 - c. Membership Drive / Block Captain Training (Apr 15 to May 13)
 - d. Earth Day Cleanup (April 22) Dylan is heading up Earth Day
- V. **Event Recap (none!)**
 - a. None!
- VI. **Adjournment Time: 8:20 PM**

Event Assignments

Egg Hunt - Alice & Kim B

Annual Meeting - All

Earth Day Clean-up - Dylan

Garage Sales - Diana (Board member need to hang and take down the banners)

July 4th Celebration - All

Back to School Bash - CJ

Halloween Bonfires - Pete

Turkey Trot - Pete, Alice & Dylan

Holiday in the Park - Dan & Kristy

Holiday Lights Showcase - Pete & Bob

Announcements

- The Elvehjem Extra will publish Sunday, February 26th
- The next ENA Board Meeting is **Wednesday, March 1st** from 6:30-8:30 pm at Pinney Library
- The next Echo Newsletter deadline is February 15th for the *Spring* Echo
- Echo Assignments, tentatively (update / see 2023 [outline](#)):
 - President's Column (Dan)
 - Treasurer's Report (Jacob)
 - Secretary's Report (Kim)
 - Ads (Jacob)
 - Alder Currie's Column (Jael)
 - TBA / TBD