

HSPI General Meeting Minutes (Draft)

July 24, 2012

Board Members Present: Galen Wilson, Katherine Hill, Hilary Browning, Amy Lee, John Fredland, Brian Ressler

Call to Order: 7:03 pm by John Fredland

Community Reports

Community Based Police Officer Jezioro presented the report. Crime is down this month. There was an aggravated assault on July 10 at 29 Clover; suspect was apprehended. Several burglaries reported, of furniture, bicycles, and other home goods. There were two car break ins. Petty theft and squatting on vacant property are crimes, but if the owner is unknown/absentee, the officers must track down the owners first. Several squatters reported at the Hickory Center; CBOS are on alert. Copper thefts have occurred at night, with thieves pretending to be contractors. Officer Jezioro recommends that you get to know the contractors working at sites on your block so you know who is supposed to be working. There are crews of copper thieves that tag team, but they are usually caught at the scrap yards.

County Prosecutors Absent.

Southeast Priority Board No Report.

Preservation Dayton No Report.

Hope Arts Center Pastor Stanton represented Hope. Vacation Bible School starts on Thursday, July 26. All are welcome. Pastor Stanton likes to perform baptism and is looking for interested families.

Miami Valley Hospital No Report.

Minutes June Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report Since May's report, three checks were written, for Shakespeare, PPDs and Ghostlight Coffee for the Mayor's Walk. Will report again at the September meeting.

Program: No Program.

President's Report Amy Lee presenting the President's report. New trash cans have been installed on wayne Avenue. Tom Richie will get more trash cans for the Park drive boulevard. There are seven wooden signs left, they are to be restored and installed as public art. The Housing committee needs a new chair; volunteers should contact Amy Lee.

Committee Reports

Housing and Development Matty Nugent has stepped down as chair of the committee. Search for a new chair is on going.

Parks Nick Eddy for Parks. Mark Dione has started the weeding of the parks. Montgomery Beautiful grant was accepted and the work day is August 4. Thanks to Brian Ressler. SPUG & Metroparks joint event will happen on August 28, about winter gardening.

Anti-Crime Kevin Security meeting on Thursday. We will implement staggered community walks, and police will suggest other practical strategies for preventing crime. The flash mob orchestrated at Blommel Park was effective. Thanks to David Esrati.

Marketing Craig Schrolucke was absent, but sent in his report. PPD postcards were made, and attendance for the July PPD was very good. Looking to work with the webmaster on the new marketing campaign—“South Park- It’s More than Historic”

Social Next PPD is August 18, hosted by the Reed household and Cathy Mong. September PPD hosted by John Fredland and the Esrati Whitely family. August 9 marks the second performance of Merchant of Venice at Blommel park.

Old Business

Update on Boulevard matching funds. \$1800 obligated to improve landscaping, make repairs to gazebo, and paint the gazebo. Gazebo does need new roof; working with City of Dayton to pay for it. Mini grant for the Hamilton Dixon public art piece was approved; work will start in late 2013.

New Business

John Fredland moved to cancel the August 28 meeting, in keeping with HSPI tradition. It was unanimously approved.

Announcements

- (1) Hilary Browning announced the collaboration of Ghostlight Coffee, Thistle Confections and Fressa Gourmet food truck on Saturday nights.
- (2) Erich Heinrich has more information regarding the street smart program

Adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Hilary Browning,
Recording Secretary