

OHNA Board Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Type:		2023 August Board Meeting					
Date & Time of Meeting:		August 15, 2023, at 7:00 PM			Location:		Craig Geer
Date & Time of Next Meeting:		September 19, 2023, at 7:00 PM			Location:		GR Christian Elementary
Minutes Prepared By:		Lisa Theule, OHNA Secretary					
1. Meeting Objective							
Annual Board Meeting – Discussion and Business							
2. Attendance at Meeting (12 Board Members Present)							
Name	Block	Type	Present	Name	Type	Present	
			Absent			Absent	
Mike Hanson	2	President	P				
Tom Geelhoed	5	Vice President	P				
Craig Geers	11	Treasurer	P				
Lisa Theule	2	Secretary	P				
Robert Amaya	1	Block Captain	P	Cray Mulder	Block Captain	A	
Janet Hanson	2	Block Captain	P	Jon Tinholt	Block Captain	A	
Nancy Winden	3	Block Captain	P	Liz Maher	Block Captain	A	
OPEN	4	Block Captain	A	Dawn Jenkins	Block Captain	A	
Kim Bolt	5	Block Captain	P	OPEN	Block Captain	A	
OPEN	6	Block Captain	A	Bob and Pam Nichols	Block Captain	A	
Dave Walker	7	Managing Officer Block Captain	P	Bob Crow	Block Captain	P	
OPEN	8	Block Captain	A	OPEN	Block Captain	A	
Sarah Steger	9	Block Captain	A	Peri denDulk	Block Captain	A	
Kathleen Kelly	10	Block Captain	P	Simon Vance	Block Captain	P	
Robert Lee	11	Block Captain	A	OPEN	Block Captain	A	
3. Future Board Meeting Dates (NO MEETINGS IN JULY OR DECEMBER)							
Date		Location			Time		
September 19, 2023		TBD			7:00 PM		
October 17, 2023		TBD			7:00 PM		
November 21, 2023 – ANNUAL MEETING		TBD			7:00 PM		
4. Treasurer's Report							
Topic	Leads		Discussion				
7/4/2023 Treasurer's Report	Craig Geers		Total Expenses \$1,571.33. Income \$2,475.50. Balance \$16,487.52. Expenses include: \$10.90 in Venmo fees and \$6.42 in PayPal fees, April/May Gmail account fees/stickers \$53.14, Garden Tour brochure \$284.41, stickers/Eiland bereavement \$70.14, Garden Tour happy hour \$270.73, Hollyhock parade donation \$310.00, Food truck music \$515.59, Eric Doyle gift card \$50.00. General fund/dues \$9,777.00, Garden Tour \$684.00, Tree fund \$3,497.00, Pontiac Field \$1,083.00, Misc. \$10.00, OHNA Newsletter \$1,435.00. Craig noted one of our biggest revenue months yet. The Garden Tour helped with that. We have a healthy balance. Extra donations in the tree fund.				
8/6/2023 Treasurer's Report			Total Expenses \$1,078.29. Income \$615.00. Balance \$16,023.71. Expenses include PayPal fees \$10.98 and Ice Cream Social \$1,067.31. General fund/dues \$9,110.00, Garden Tour \$809.00, Tree fund \$3,527.00, Pontiac Field \$1,133.00, Misc. \$10.00, OHNA Newsletter \$1,435.00. Craig noted not a lot of income this month. One significant expense. We are in good shape for this time of year. At 56.7% of neighbors paying dues (a little low). Ask block captains to do an email blast and ask in the newsletter. Block 6 in the lead, then 3, followed by 5.				

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General Discussion & Action Items		
Topic	Leads	Discussion/Action
June Minutes	Mike Hanson	No changes.
President's Report	Mike Hanson	Garden tour was a success. 250+ came to the reg table, \$350+ in donations. Lots of positive feedback. Ice cream social also a success. 4 officers present, including Captain Williams and the fire department. Dumpster day was well attended. A recycle dumpster was available. More mattresses this year, less cardboard. June food trucks had live music, horrible weather but a great evening. The July food trucks were well attended. August food trucks also had live music, Randy the guitarist is from the neighborhood. Not a great turnout (55 transactions) but it was also the last Sunday before school. Traffic calming – we don't have the report yet, they monitored a slow day. School starts tomorrow, neighbors are reminded to be careful. Mike plans to talk to John Barkel about traffic and speeding bus drivers. Still thinking about crosswalk signage. Could cost between \$1,200 - \$2,500 even without permits. GRCS would likely partner with us.
Dogs & Cats	Mike Hanson Bob Crow	Bob reported that we now have keys and/or access to all four dog bag waste boxes. Bob has extra bags in his garage, and we are supplied for some time (1-2 years). Mike received emails about dogs off leash in the park. City ordinance states a dog must be within 8 feet leashed in a park and 6 feet leashed elsewhere. It was noted that the signs around the park don't help. People continue to let their dogs off leash. Park gates are no longer locked open. The school has new security cameras and would like people to access the park where cameras are present. Neighbor complained about house cats being left outside, killing rodents, and leaving them on other folks' property.
Pontiac Field	Mike Hanson	Some neighbors question if it is public. It is private and owned/managed by the school. If we abuse, our benefits go away. Mike is trying to obtain the agreement between the neighborhood and school. It was noted that Phil Balkema may have the agreement. Henry from the school is talking about painting a second set of pickleball lines. There has been some publicity about the noise in neighborhoods due to the popularity of the sport. We've not had a complaint. Craig noted we have donations in the Pontiac Field fund, could we give a gift to the school to show we appreciate the use of the field. Maybe weed the garden area. Kim will ask the school about their wishlist.
Tree Watering	Mike Hanson/Craig Geers	Tree watering – lots of people helping with watering trees. MaryAnn and Jeff Shutz provided a donation to Friends of GR Parks which included the giant water storage container. Friends of GR Parks will water this year and next year. They are behind due to the planting of 2000 trees in the city. Jeff has 130 water bags, 50 in use. He pays to store them. Bring bags to Dumpster Day and food trucks and offer them to neighbors to use.
2024 Volunteers	Mike Hanson	Kathleen is stepping away from her duties. We will need help with the annual newsletter and food trucks. Stephanie Boer may be a good person to spearhead the newsletter. Dave will reach out to her. Kim suggested Elizabeth VanVels and Elizabeth Fannon for food trucks.
Policies & Procedures	Dave Walker	The new draft looks different than the first draft, lots of good feedback. A mission statement was suggested. This is a long process, and we'd need all block captains present to do the work. A tagline or objective statement was suggested as an alternative. Dave will send out the new version, need feedback by the end of August. Vote in September.
Block Captains	Mike Hanson/Various	Robert noted that David & Elizabeth Lubbers relocated. 852 Giddings is for sale. Eric Doyle had heart surgery. Kathleen noted that we have no more happy hour signups for the year. The tradition goes back 20 years. Covid hit it hard. Craig & Penny hosted in July and had 26 people. Perhaps think about it differently, maybe family friendly. Maybe a family day or movie night. We've done in the past, use a blow-up screen. Potluck with games, more like a neighborhood block party. Craig noted that the Hall Street Bakery new owner would love to create community together. Maybe a coupon in the welcome packets. Perhaps treats at the garden tour registration desk. It was noted that there was an early morning break-in on Cadillac. Door was open. This is a good example of text message alert value. Mike reached out the Captain Williams and a neighborhood communication was sent out.

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Holiday Decorations	Mike Hanson	Tazzia no longer offers the complete service. They will hang the decorations but not supply the greenery/swag. Could we purchase our own commercial grade décor and store? Are we willing to incur the great expense at the forefront. Perhaps East Congregational or the school could store for us? Perhaps have a fundraiser to gather the funds? Robert will do research and report back next month.
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6. Future TGIF Dates (3rd Friday of the Month from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.)

Date	Host	Time
August 18, 2023	None	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
September 15, 2023	None	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
October 20, 2023	None	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
November 17, 2023	None	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
December 15, 2023	None	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

7. Neighborhood Event Dates

Date	Event	Time
Sunday, September 17, 2023	Sunday Food Trucks	4:30 PM – 7:00 PM
Tuesday, October 31, 2023	Halloween	6:00 PM – 8:00 PM