

## MINUTES

### **Watrous Heights Neighborhood Association**

#### **Members Meeting, Monday September 12<sup>th</sup> 2022**

**Featured Speakers:** Dan Grauerholz and Tyler Friesen from the new ION Exterior Home Repair Assistance Program was very informative. Services Offered: Roof Repairs, Siding Repairs, foundation repairs, dead or dying tree removal, driveways, or fencing. ION helps Navigating the Home Repair System. **Contact Info:** 515) 283-4180

Josh Raleigh from the City Inspection Department was a participant primarily because of his knowledge and relationship with the City's new ION program.

This was an unusual meeting. I, Dave Johnston, WHNA President and founding member was the only WHNA Board Member present at this meeting. Also in attendance were Brenda and Louie plus Linda and Paul from our original WHNA quarter section plus Karen from our newest quarter section.

We provided some WHNA gifts to help make their homes safer: Primarily Digital Forehead Thermometers and a Home First Aid Kit.

We had an illuminating discussion regarding ideas of how to rebuild our neighbors attendance that was lost due to the Covid Problems. Plus, ideas to results in a general increase in neighbors meeting participation.

Suggestions included mailers, a bigger WHNA Sign (preferably on the SE corner of SW 9<sup>th</sup> and Park) like the Magnolia Park Large Wood Sign on the NE corner of South Union and McKinley. Also, WHNA flyers hand delivered to different areas. WHNA Introduction mailer/letter to New Neighbors.

Also had discussion regarding a gift card drawing (lottery) from neighbors in attendance.

Whenever possible, we need to have a general idea discussion like this more often with our WHNA Neighbors.