

# Minutes

## **Watrous Heights Neighborhood Association Board Meeting, Monday August 19th**

### **WHNA Financial Report – Dave Johnston**

- Provided starting and ending balance and transactions for the month
  - Suggested possible Budget
  - Dave provided recommendation for remaining funds for 2019
  - Board approved to pre-pay for remaining expenses for 2019 – 2020
- Dave discussed options for grants for 2019-2020
  - Current Grant must be fully spent before new can be issued. Note: We did not receive Grant Funds until May 3rd, 2018 for Jan 2018 Application.
  - Possible Funds may be available yet this year, will learn more soon
  - Current Application period for 2020 is Dec 2019 thru Feb 2020
  - Board agreed to review all options
- Tammy Berenguel's Welcome Committee
  - We used First class mail contact to new resident homeowners in our area
  - We made initial contact to three new homeowners but NO RESPONSE to the letter
  - We will continue to try to find the most effective future contacts

### **New Business**

- New Board Member's at Large
  - Andrea Greer & Paul Minks
- Blight Home Attack program
  - Reviewed suggested first-class letter to immediate homeowners near targeted "Blight Home(s)"
  - Board showed interest
  - Will continue discussion at September meeting
- Green Space
  - Our "Park" Committee. Meeting with Matt McCoy and Joe Gatto and others
  - Ben Page did not seem on board with WHNA desire to proceed on neighborhood park goal
  - Subsequent communications Buz Brenton, Ben Page, and Dave
    - Buz is in agreeance with Ben Page – that the city should not put in any money for a small neighborhood park. This should not be public money. His thought is if neighbors are not willing to put in \$100/year for two years then they are not really interested in having a park.
  - Board showed interest in having Buz come speak at one of our meeting regarding park, his participation and what he wants from the neighborhood
- Board discussed interest in expanding WHNA for the section from South Union to SE 5th between Watrous and Park Ave
  - Dave will look into this further as the board showed interest in expansion