

# Minutes

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

### **Elections for Board – Dave Johnston**

- Board of Directors:
  - Tammy Berenguel
  - James “Buck” Buchholz
  - Brad Greer
  - Dave Johnston
  - Curtis Nelson
- Officers:
  - President: Dave Johnston
  - Vice-President/Treasurer: James “Buck” Buchholz
  - Secretary: Brad Greer
  - Web-Master: Curtis Nelson

**Gift Basket Drawing** – The winner chose to donate the basket back for the items to be raffled off at a later date.

### **Introduction of Featured Guest** – Colleen Barongan with Barongan Kempo Martial Arts

- Recently moved to 810 SW Emma
- Offer classes for adults and children
- Offer Women’s self-defense classes
- For additional information please contact by Phone: (515)243-4628 or (515)271-4628 or online at Barongankempo.com

### **Joel Van Roekel - Parks and Recreation Liaison Officer:**

- N/A

### **Josh Raleigh- Inspector:**

- Josh provided update on blight homes
  - 4601 8th - at Demo stage, in the next few weeks will be torn down
  - Dave requested list of blight homes and statuses
    - Josh advised no list to provide on next houses up for demo
    - Josh will provide a list to Dave on updates on potential blight homes
  - Josh’s recommendations to get blight houses moving
    - continue to bring it to bring concerns to WHNA meetings
    - continue to lodge complaint to the city

### **Sergeant Ripperger- Crime Report:**

- 4 crimes in the last 30 days
  - 2 Burglary/breaking and entering (same day and address)
  - 1 aggravated assault
  - 1 motor vehicle theft
- This time last year there were 5 reports

### **Dave Johnston - WHNA Efforts for vest pocket park**

- Support from our elected officials Matt McCoy and Joe Gatto
- Strong opposition from Parks and Rec Department
- Dave provided detail and partnership with Buzz Brenton