

Fairfields-Sylvan Neighborhood Association

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Minutes of the Directors Meeting

March 18, 2009

Board Member	Position	Term Expires	Present	Absent	
Sherry Seiwert	President	2010		X	
Terry Dobson	Vice President	2009	X		
Lynn Schaller	Treasurer	2010	X		
Susan Dobson	Member	2009	X		
Ken Ingle	Secretary	2010	X		
Joe Goeller	Member	2010	X		
Todd Ferris	Member	2010	X		

Guest Speaker: Randy Caster, proprietor of Hillcrest Tree Farm, gave information on urban landscaping. He emphasized tree planting for shade, long life, and beauty while remaining sensitive to the native environment and microclimate in the immediate area. Randy's farm is in Greenfield, and he can be contacted at hillcrest@mail.inct.net.

Call to Order

In Sherry Seiwert's absence, Vice-President Terry Dobson opened the board meeting at 7:45pm.

Minutes

Minutes of the February meeting as posted on the Website were approved.

Treasurers Report

Treasurer Lynn Schaller gave her report for the month. Opening balance was \$4610.04; closing balance was \$4593.70.

Crime Watch

The initial meeting of Crime Watch Block Captians for FSNA took place on Monday, March 16, and all but four were able to attend. Each captain was given a list of addresses for his/her block, together with names and phone numbers to the extent known from membership data and information previously gathered from the Washington Township Assessor's Office. Captains were asked to contact each household, verifying what data we had and filling in the rest. Separate forms are being used for Crime Watch purposes, and for the upcoming neighborhood directory. This is to assure confidentiality for data that anyone chooses to leave out of the directory.

A few more captains would be welcome on some of the streets with a large number of houses, particularly on Olney north of 62nd Street. Anyone interested in Crime Watch activities should contact Terry Dobson at tdobson@ameritech.net.

There was discussion of recent crime incidents in and near our neighborhood, which will be relayed in the secretary's next email to members.

FSNA Annual Neighborhood Cleanup

Look for an upcoming announcement, as soon as we can get a commitment for a dumpster from Keep Indianapolis Beautiful. This is when neighbors volunteer to collect trash along street right-of-way, ditches and other places, usually on a Sunday in mid-spring. Bags, gloves and even prizes are provided.

Annual Meeting

This is the May meeting, when new board members are elected. Please plan to come so we can have a reasonable quorum. Better yet, join us on the board, especially if you think what we've been trying to do is worthwhile.

Next Meeting

Date: Wednesday, April 15, 7pm

Speaker: We will try to get Councilor Christine Scales for a update on city government matters.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.