FAIRFIELDS-SYLVAN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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> Minutes of the FSNA Meeting John Strange School, 7:00 PM April 16, 2014

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Joe Goeller, President Tom Sturmer, Vice-President Kathie Church, Recording Secretary Ken Ingle, Member Secretary Sherry Seiwert, Treasurer Jim Aelick, Director Bill Hazel, Director Ted Hudnut, Director

Call To Order:

Joe called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. There were 14 people present. He reminded all present to register for the gift card.

Guest Speaker:

Jennifer Schick , Office of Code Enforcement, gave a presentation on the rules for open burning in the city. The basics are:

- container with mesh/grid cover
- someone must be attending the fire at all times
- restriction on the hours burning is allowed

The exact ordinance is posted on our website.

There was much discussion among those present about the effects of the smoke on those in the neighborhood. FSNA will try to educate our community on the problem this creates for our neighbors. This effort will be on-going using the newsletter and website for outreach. One neighbor emphasized the benefits of composting instead of burning. Ms. Schick suggested that in the event the burning is excessive or out of control, the Fire Department should be notified.

Gary Loveless, Neighborhood Liaison, called attention to Indy Connect's presentation on Tuesday, May 13 at Eastwood Jr High at 7 PM. There will be discussion on the use of the Green Line for bus rapid transit (BRT). There are preliminary plans for station on NE corner of 62nd Street & Allisonville Road. Gary also informed us of Mayor Ballard's interest in trying to install more street lights in all areas of the city.

Treasurer's Report:

Sherry Seiwert presented her report:	Beginning Balance	\$5531.90
	Income	\$575.00
	Expense	\$245.00
	Closing Balance	\$6, 859.40
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Secretary' Report:

March 19 Minutes are posted on the website.

Old Business:

Joe reminded anyone with drainage problems to submit their surveys on the website before our May 21 meeting.

New Business:

Joe announced the annual FSNA Cleanup will be Saturday, April 19. Gloves & bags will be available at 10 AM at the John Strange Olney entrance. There was a sign-up sheet to volunteer, with a drawing of volunteer names for receiving KIBI flowers on May 30.

Completion of the Fire Hydrants Painting project may be scheduled in May by GACC.

Sue Combs spoke to the problem of the narrowed car lanes on 62^{nd} St. to accommodate a bike lane. She has drawn up a petition that 61^{st} St be used for bikes west of Keystone to Broad Ripple. Discussion of attendees centered on whether this alternative was viable. A Monon pedestrian bridge over 62^{nd} St in Broad Ripple could help to alleviate congestion.

Next, we voted on amending the By-laws.

It was moved to amend Art. V. Sec. 4 to change the requirements for a quorum at the Annual Meeting to a minimum of 5% of paid members. It was seconded and passed.

It was moved to amend Art. VIII. Sec. 2 to remove all limits on re-election of directors and officers. It was seconded and passed.

Discussion followed on who is defined as a voting member...1 person per household paying dues? 2? While our \$25 annual dues are based on households, each adult in a household has a vote.

Marsh Drawing:

Barb Hazel won the \$10 Marsh gift card.

Adjourn:

Joe adjourned the meeting at 8:35 pm. Our next meeting is Wednesday, May 21, 2014.