

WESTCREEK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

JULY 15, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:07 p.m.

Members present: Gary Bunevick, Judy Jefferson, and Chris Schexnayder. Jan Boswell arrived at 7:45 p.m.

1. 6110 Hill Forest Update: Chris S. received an e-mail from Nancy Williams, Executive Assistant to Mayor Leffingwell, confirming the meeting tomorrow, July 16th at 3:30 p.m., with four of the City Council's Aides. Chris prepared packets, which Nancy already has distributed, which includes a signed Resolution from the Oak Hill Neighborhood Associations (OHAN), in support of Westcreek's Neighborhood Association's request to have Hill Forest remain Single Family – Low Density (SF3 or below), and also pictures taken during rush hour traffic on Hill Forest/Summerset leading to Patton Elementary School. Gary suggested mentioning the negotiations the WNA had regarding 4808 W. William Cannon and the cooperation between the parties involved in that dispute. The WNA feels Frank Bomar and Mickey Bentley never planned to develop the property; they just wanted the FLUM changed to high density in order to increase the value of the property when it's sold. Chris S. has had conversations with people who have had dealings with Mickey Bentley and they feel the intent was never to develop this property.

Sara will be sending Chris S. the July 22nd agenda once it's posted.

2. Brush Country maintenance: Jan gave Chris S. a check for \$125.00 to reimburse his out of pocket money he gave Juan for the last mowing. Chris received a mailer from Elements, a lawnmower service, and they will match the bid from Juan. Chris is going to check on having the Invoice for payment mailed to the WNA's post office box.

3. ANC: No update. Next meeting will be July 22nd.

4. Safe Walk to School: This was Trudy's item and she's on vacation. Gary informed the board about an e-mail he received from Rick, Oak Hill Trails Association, about a program called, Walk for a Day. Gary will forward the e-mail to the rest of the board members. The Safe Walk to School is a paved sidewalk from Brush Country to the Middle School.

5. Annual Picnic: Chris S. opened up a discussion on combining Westcreek-Western Oak's Annual Neighborhood Picnic. Since Westcreek does not have a neighborhood park, we have to drive four to five miles to Dick Nichol's Park, and Western Oaks has some nice parks in their neighborhood. The attendance at our picnic each year has been declining. Our two neighborhoods came together on the property located at 4808 William Cannon. Having a combined picnic could benefit both neighborhoods

in working together on future projects. Chris will e-mail Sara asking her to take this suggestion to her board.

Gary asked Chris S. about an e-mail he sent out on the Westcreek's yahoo Group about an Oak Hill Neighborhood Planning Contact Team check list, and then under his e-mail there was one from Christie about an East Oak Hill and a West Oak Hill Plan. It seems most of the planned pocket parks are west of the Y. The board would like to see a pocket park in Westcreek. A good location would be next to the Brush Country Trail. There's almost two acres of privately owned land, and Brush Country will never be extended to Monterey Oaks, so this land is really useless for developing and would make a great location for a pocket park. Discussion followed on getting the owner to donate or sell the land to the City of Austin, and turning it into a pocket park. Write an article for the Oak Hill Gazette, Austin American Statesman about wanting a neighborhood pocket park, and the original developer of Westcreek still owns a piece of property that could be donated for a neighborhood park. First need to find out how much dedicated funds the City of Austin has for parks.

Gary will e-mail Sandy about who to contact or what to do regarding the Oak Hill Planning process. Our understanding is there are dedicated funds, and Westcreek is not mentioned in the master plan. Westcreek neighborhood has the largest number of households in the Oak Hill area, and has no amenities.

Gary volunteered to be Westcreek's representative and attend the OHAN meetings after the month of August. Sandy is our representative, but now she's president of OHAN, and feels it's a conflict of interest to vote on any matter pertaining to Westcreek. Sandy wrote the OHAN Resolution supporting Westcreek's position on Hill Forest, but would not vote or sign it.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.