

OHMHA Board Meeting
7 pm – Monday, September 9th, 2024

Attendees:

Board: Amy Seetoo, John Gaffield, Emily Eisbruch, Brad Pritts, Wendy Carman, Joe Trulik, Steve Stancroff, Pete Mooney, Jack Cederquist, Robyn Anspach

Neighborhood: Todd Grant, Susan Montgomery, Taylor Morgan

Agenda

Call the Meeting to Order. Motioned by Emily, approved by Brad.

Approval of Minutes. Two sets of minutes are discussed. The minutes from 6/12/24 are discussed first. Brad motions for approval; Jack seconds. Passes unanimously. The meeting minutes from 8/5/24 are discussed second. Jack motions for approval; Brad seconds. It is passed unanimously.

Emily notes that approved minutes should be sent to annekarabakal@gmail.com to be published on the website.

Approval of the Treasurer's Report. Joe discusses financial reports shared with the board via e-mail on 9/8/2024. These include a PayPal report for the last 6 months, a report of logged payments (cash and checks only), a bank statement through August 31, 2024 and a snapshot of the current Comerica bank balance. In summary, our current cash position is:

- \$14,574.26 - Current Comerica Bank Balance
- \$125.70 - Current PayPal Balance
- \$14,699.96 - Total

20.6% of households (116) have paid dues so far, resulting in \$4026. Joe discussed two people paying recurring dues unnecessarily. Joe has reached out repeatedly. Emily knows one and will follow up; Joe will follow up with the other.

There was a discussion of how to tell which members are new; Emily will follow up with Joe and Connor to discuss deduping against email list; this will also ensure that new members are added to Mailchimp list.

Several donations were more than the minimum, but it's unclear whether these were intended for the legal fund, as Paypal doesn't offer a way to differentiate.

There are no pending payables.

Wendy moves to accept the treasurer's report; Pete seconds. Unanimously approved.

Budget and finance report. Brad confirms that he will continue with the committee which includes Connor, Joe and Wendy. Financial reports to federal and state due this month; Wendy will complete and provide copy for archives.

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Membership Update. Membership at 116, 21% of the neighborhood. Note that Connorr and Joe are showing a discrepancy in dues (\$4026 vs \$4410). They will align on this offline.

TCI and MRTA Sub-committee update. All MRTA filings are done. There are no next steps until someone tries to violate building and use restrictions.

No further action is needed on TC1 at this point. The committee is following, but there are no next steps for now.

A new person Madeline Wright has joined the committee. The sub-committee is currently concerned with Ann Arbor comprehensive plan process. Jack would like to send notice to the neighborhood; Emily requests that the board review before neighborhood communication.

Garage Sale. There were at least 35 houses selling; half reported being very happy. Next year, it may be preferable to move up a week. An informal poll shows online listings and signs were both helpful.

Fall Festival. October 6th from 1 – 3 pm. Steve discussed confirming a cover band and confirmed there will be a mah-jong demonstration. Wendy is contacting police & fire to bring trucks. Amy is printing out a flyer that will be distributed the week of the 23rd. Steve will let Jack know a date to put out signs. Steve hasn't heard back on Chinese yoyo; Amy will reach out to Jane Hu. Confirmed rock craft, ecology, Leslie Science Center, Krohns, and OHMHA table.

New Thurston School. John met with other neighborhood leaders and AAPS on July 23rd and again on August 2nd. A general community meeting to be scheduled for September 26th from 5:30 – 7 pm. Information: <https://www.gilbaneco.com/> and <https://a2schoolsbond.org/> This website will be updated after the community meeting with more details.

Nixon Corridor Improvement Project. There will be a virtual session on Wednesday, September 18th, 7 – 8:30 pm; Jack and Brad are planning to attend. There is more information here: <http://www.a2gov.org/nixon>

Georgetown Blvd. Entrance Garden. A high school student did the weeding and spent a total of a couple of hours; he will receive a check. The garden looked good, but may need to be thinned next year. Jack is planning to tidy up for fall.

Round Robin. Robyn brought up a neighborhood complaint about vegetation obstructing the sidewalks; was told to refer neighbor to A2fixit. Discussion of OHAC and potential synchronicities.

Next meeting. Next meeting agreed for November 4, 2024, 7pm.

Adjourn.

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