**SOUTHWESTERN HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

**BOARD MINUTES**

**AUGUST 21, 2023**

The Board meeting was called to order by President George Davis in the home of Penny Harrison. Board members present were George Davis, Nick VanPatten, Ginny Renda, Penny Harrison, Pete Conrad, Jon Shelness, Steve Utterson, Joe Harrison, and Steve Sarcone. The Minutes of the July 17, 2023, were discussed and approved. The Treasurer’s Report was explained and approved.

**NEIGHBORS’ NIGHT OUT**

Neighbors Night Out was Tuesday, August 1st, at Wakonda Christian Church. Even on a warm evening, this event was well attended. HyVee served over 475 sandwiches to a very large crowd. The Board members thought that the tables and chairs were adequate. It was suggested that next year, we change the way food is placed on the serving tables. The Board thought the hamburgers and other meats were delicious. The snow cones were a big hit with the children as well as adults. City Council members Josh Mandelbaum, Connie Boesen, Carl Voss, Joe Gatto, Mayor Frank Cownie, Polk County Supervisor Matt McCoy, Police and Fire Department personnel, Recreation personnel and other city leaders were in attendance. There was a discussion regarding the use of Wakonda Christian Church for Neighbors Night Out as well as a place where the Board meets each month. In appreciation and by unanimous consent, it was voted to give the church a $200 rental fee.

**CANDIDATE FORM**

President Davis will contact those running for the office of Mayor to see when they are available for a neighborhood meeting. Neighbors will be contacted by email notifying them of the meeting that will be held at Brody Middle School. Brody Middle School must approve the site request.

**ARMY POST ROAD ZONING REVIEW**

There will be a zoning review of a property at 4240 Army Post Road. Steve Utterson and Nick VanPatten will represent and speak for SWHNA.

**SCRUB DAY**

SCRUB DAY is scheduled for Saturday, September 16. Board member Steve Utterson oversees this event. Board members will also work at this event. President Davis will see if the Gray’s Lake Neighborhood Association will help with SCRUB Day. An email will be sent to neighbors informing them of the date, time, and place to bring their trash, hazardous waste, or materials to shred.

The Board meeting concluded at 7:33 pm. The next scheduled board meeting is Monday, September 18, 2023.

Minutes Submitted By Ginny Renda – Secretary of SWHNA