Southwestern Hills Neighborhood Association

Board of Directors Meeting

 August 20, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President George Davis at 6:00 Board Members Present were: George Davis, Ginny Renda, Nick VanPatten, Darlene Blake, Jon Shelness, Steve Sarcone and Joe Harrison.

The minutes of the July 16, 2018 meeting were approved with the correction of the word silenced changed to silent in paragraph 9.

The treasurer’s report was approved as presented by Heather Carman.

Neighbors Night Out, held on August 7, 2018 was reviewed. The Board agreed the picnic was a success with over 500 neighbors attending. Board members felt HyVee did an excellent job of preparing and serving the food. Nick VanPatten will price check other vendors for pricing purposes. All other Board members thought HyVee’s price was fair and well worth the cost. The Board wants to improve the food serving lines and have less waiting time. This issue will be addressed in the future. The Board approved a $200 donation to Wakonda Church for building and lot use. The Church also hosts monthly SWHNA Board meetings.

Several City Department heads from Parks & Rec, Public Works, Police, Fire and City Council members attended the picnic. Council members included, Mayor Frank Cownie, Chris Coleman, Josh Mandelbaum, and Joe Gatto.

The Board discussed the 515 Concert held at Waterworks Park. Many neighbors thought the music was too loud. Some citizens believed that the concert violated city noise ordinances. Many neighbors are worried that the new concert theater planned for Waterworks will result in traffic and noise issues.

The City plans to put five foot sidewalks on Fleur drive. In order to do this they plan to make the driving lanes narrower. Board members think this is a bad idea and have concerns this issue was not made public to the neighborhood.

 Two neighborhood sponsored events are planned in September 2018. A neighborhood garage sale is planned for September 7 and 8 and SCRUB day will be held on September 15, 2018.

The meeting ended at 7:19 with the next meeting scheduled for September 17, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Ginny Renda, Secretary SWHNA