**SOUTHWESTERN HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

**May 17, 2021 BOARD MEETING**

The May 17, 2021 Board Meeting was held at the home of Penny Harrison. Board members present included: George Davis, Nick VanPatten, Ginny Renda, Joe Harrison, Pete Conrad, Jon Shelness,

Steve Sarcone, and Penny Harrison.

The minutes of the April 19, Board Meeting were approved.

The treasurer’s report was explained and approved.

**GENERAL MEETING**

The Board discussed whether the General Meeting should be held indoors or outside. After a brief discussion, it was decided that we would try to have the meeting at Brody Middle School. Joe Harrison agreed to contact Brody to secure a date in June. President Davis plans to contact: Matt Mc Coy, Polk County Supervisor; Frank County, Mayor of Des Moines; Scott Sanders, City Manager; Connie Boesen, Carl Voss, and Josh Mandelbaum, City Council; and the new Neighborhood Police Liaison Officer, to invite them to speak at the General Meeting. President Davis will send a postcard to members of the neighborhood informing them of the time, date, and place of the General Meeting. We will have a signup sheet and membership applications so that people can pay their dues.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR PERMITS FOR ADDITIONS AND BUSINESSES**

The Board discussed city permits for property improvements. It was noted that maybe some of these requirements and permits were unnecessary and too costly.

**NEIGHBORS NIGHT OUT**

The National Neighbors Night date has been set for August 3, 2021. It is expected that Mayor Cownie will relax the restrictions on large gatherings. In anticipation of the relaxing of Pandemic restrictions, President Davis will contact Wakonda Christian Church to reserve the parking lot for our annual picnic and Ginny Renda will contact HyVee regarding the catering of our picnic.

The meeting concluded at 7:10PM

The next meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2021

Board Minutes Submitted by Ginny Renda, Secretary of SWHNA