

BBVNA BOARD MEETING NOTES - 10/13/2016

The Board convened at 6:30 pm at the home of Rita Toland, and the meeting was called to order at 6:45pm. Mike Weingarten led the meeting.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Rita Toland (Treasurer),
Mike Weingarten (Secretary),
Richard Roati (Urban Wildlife & Forestry Committee)
Ann Pattison (Historic Designation Committee)
Joan Thomas (Malvern Plaza Committee)
Suzie Husband (Welcome Committee)

1) Minutes of the August 23, 2016 meeting: (Mike)
Minutes were approved.

2) Treasurer's Report: (Rita)

Rita reported that we currently have \$6676 in checking, and \$13483 in savings. Of this cash on hand, about \$4900 is reserved for use for Malvern Plaza. We expect a new invoice from Chris Evans for historic designation work for about \$3800.

In general, donations toward the historic designation project have slowed down significantly. To date, about 100 families have paid the initial \$100 request. Only 29 of the homes on the list of 137 clearly contributing properties have paid the additional \$200 requested.

3) Historic Designation: (Ann)

Funding continues to be the big issue, threatening to cause work to stop if it is not resolved. Ann will write up another reminder/request for contributions next week, for distribution to the neighborhood via the ListServe and NextDoor.

Ann is working with Chris to finalize the time and date for the "Walkthrough" -- a walk with neighbors through the neighborhood in which Chris will describe, using example homes, the types of features that are ok, or which are negative factors, in assessing whether the property is counted as contributing. Chris' focus has been on discussing solar and sustainability-related improvements. We have an interest in that, but also in discussing other common features generating lots of questions from neighbors -- notably, changed windows, bars on windows, painting of the brick, etc. Ann will work with Chris in advance to get clear on the expectations and topic areas for the walkthrough, and perhaps come up with a list of specific houses to discuss which highlight the features being questioned. Ann will also write up a notice for the ListServe/NextDoor publicizing and inviting neighbors to the walkthrough. Proposed time for the walkthrough is: Sat, Oct 29, 8-10 am.

Ann gave an update on the volunteer data gathering. Three people have turned in their data for their assigned streets, and others continue to work on them. A few are able to collect info from the assessor's data base (accessible from home computers) for additional streets, but are unable to do the work downtown. Ann is trying to piece together the data resources to get as complete coverage as possible. She will talk to Oscar Blasquez about his potential ability to gather the City records data for some of the streets.

The GARDEN, Inc proposal was discussed. Richard gave the background on the conversation that led Susan Silverman to make this offer to the neighborhood, of providing a conduit through her organization to permit future donations for historic designation to be considered tax deductible for the donors. The sense of the Board is that we would be in favor of pursuing this if we can get a tax professional to review it and document in writing that it is acceptable. Rita will put out a request to the neighborhood to see if anyone with that expertise would be willing to donate an hour of their time to review this for us.

Susan has also recommended several other ideas for enhancing our fundraising, including:

- a) When soliciting a donation from a household, go in person, with two people, to make the ask.
- b) Consider the use of a GOFUNDME program.

We also discussed the ideas of doing pancake breakfasts and a silent auction as fundraisers.

4) Urban Forestry Update: (Richard)

There are several key dates on the calendar associated with the planting of the new trees to replace those that the City cut down in June.

10/9 (last week): Richard, Mike and Ron Kovatch cleared and identified planting sites for the trees along the arroyo.

This week: Blue Stake has been called and will provide markings to ensure locations are clear to dig.

10/16: Neighborhood event to dig the holes for the trees. (These trees are very large, with large root balls, and the holes need to be large.

Week of 10/17: Trees to be delivered to planting sites

10/23: Neighborhood event to plant the trees.

5) Oktoberfest: (Rita)

Date is Oct 22, to be held at Cynthia & Ralph's house.

Relatively few RSVPs received so far.

Rita will send out reminder this week.

6) Malvern Plaza Events: (Joan/Suzie)

Suzie reported on the Newcomer Brunch that was held last weekend in Malvern Plaza. The event was attended by 4 families, and the Plaza location worked out well.

7) Memorial: (Richard)

Richard reported that the idea for the memorial wall design in the median at Manchester & Eastbourne was turned down by the City, due to a decision that "walls" would not be permitted in medians. However, a somewhat ambiguous ok for doing just the flower artwork without the wall "informally" was given. Richard is going to call the contact, Gary Wittwer, again to get more specific clarification, and to advocate for a more formal approval. If necessary, we can contact Steve Kozachik's office for assistance, but Richard will start with a conversation with Gary.

8) January Neighborhood Meeting: (Mike)

Mike noted that we have January 18 reserved with Robison School for a neighborhood meeting. May be premature to discuss how to use that meeting now, but Board members should make sure that they have this date on their calendars.

9) Next Board Meeting:

November is problematic for scheduling, so we tentatively have identified the week of December 12 as our next Board meeting. John Thomas will be back by the end of this month, and we will defer to him to schedule the exact date.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Weingarten, BBVNA Secretary

9:36 AM

10/14/16

Cash Basis

Broadmoor-Broadway Village Neighborhood

Balance Sheet

As of October 13, 2016

	<u>Oct 13, 16</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Wells Fargo - Checking	6,676.05
Wells Fargo - Savings	13,483.34
Total Checking/Savings	<u>20,159.39</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>20,159.39</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>20,159.39</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Restricted - Malvern Plaza	4,896.82
Retained Earnings	6,494.98
Net Income	8,767.59
Total Equity	<u>20,159.39</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>20,159.39</u>