

BROADMOOR-BROADWAY VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING
Annual Meeting – Wednesday, March 20, 2013 7 p.m.
At Robison Magnet Elementary School

Mary Terry Schiltz called the meeting order at 7:05 p.m.

The meeting began with a presentation by Demion Clinco, President of the Tucson Historic Preservation Foundation Board and Andie Zelnio of Andie Zelnio Designs. Information about them is in the latest Newsletter. Both were instrumental in starting Modernism Week in Tucson last November. The Modernism week in Palm Springs began 8 years ago and currently attracts about 35,000 people annually. Last November in Tucson there was a week of activities that drew 2,500, which was very encouraging. There is a proposal to nominate the Broadway Boulevard section from Euclid to Country Club for the National Register of Historic Places. The Tucson Historic Preservation Foundation supports this nomination and is seeking funding to file the appropriate paperwork. This topic ties in directly with the plans being formulated by the R.T.A. regarding the same part of Broadway. Being placed on the National Registry is not a protective overlay against demolition, but it would create an incentive for various groups to maintain or improve the “Sunshine Mile”.

The minutes from the last meeting were approved.

The Treasurer’s report was approved. Checking has \$1,829.03; Savings has \$4,216.21 and the CD has \$16,979.85, for a total of \$23,025.09

Ann Pattison spoke about Historic Designation for our neighborhood and there were questions from the audience related to home design changes.

Richard Roati will be meeting this Saturday at 9 a.m. to plant trees near Devon and Manchester. In answer to a question from the audience, he said that the choice of native plants is for easier maintenance.

Ann spoke about fund-raisers, as we have done in the past—garden tours and art shows—as a way to raise money to cover the costs of historic designation applications.

Mary Terry expressed her thanks for various people’s efforts to work out a compromise with ParkWise and their ticketing policies. She also spoke about the Historic Preservation ordinance and the Planning Commission’s poor attempts at dealing with neighborhood ordinances for commercial vehicles and junked cars.

There is a meeting about Plan Tucson on April 3rd.

Other issues brought up at the meeting were cars speeding along Eastbourne. There was a discussion about installing speed bumps. Returning to Neighborhood Historic Preservation, it was pointed out that there is a tax reduction on owner-occupied properties. Next, Rita Toland said that it was important to report graffiti as more is appearing on the bridges and in the arroyo.

She said the graffiti abatement phone number will be on the webpage. Terry Riley, who was unable to attend the meeting, has expressed her concerns about crime to Mary Terry. Considering the number of burglaries, she suggested obtaining the help of 9 On Your Side to show videos on the show, but omitting the name of the neighborhood.

Dick Basye arrived at 8:30 from the MCRC and reiterated that the military is still entertaining the possibility of moving the runway further down and away from our midtown neighborhoods.

The meeting approved a \$3,000 check to Historic Preservation of the Sunshine Mile upon receipt of their finished application. BBVNA would be joining with other neighborhoods along this stretch of Broadway in helping to fund the application process.

There were to be elections of officers, but there were no nominations from the floor. It was suggested that we keep the same officers as interim, perhaps form a nominating committee, and meet again in May after people have more time to consider the matter. There was already a volunteer to serve on a nominating committee, if one is formed. Aubrey, as second vice president would chair this committee.

Anita Scales