

Kutzky Park Neighborhood Association
May 9, 2017

1. **Call to Order:** Jesse Welsh, President
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2. **Welcoming Remarks:** Jacque Jones
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 - a. Karl Rogers – new to the neighborhood on 2nd St NW.
3. **Report from Rochester Police Department:** Officer Greg Jeardeau
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 - a. Shoot-Out in the Olive Garden parking lot – incident was completely unrelated to the neighborhood. There were multiple parties involved on each side of the altercation.
 - b. Break In on 2nd St NW – the person involved has been cited and trespassed. It appears to have been a misunderstanding as the offender had a mental impairment.
 - c. Mr. Munger, the man who was seen window peeping in Kutzky last year, was arrested in another part of the city for window peeping but has since been released.
 - d. 922 1st St SW – watch for questionable activity
 - e. Front yard corner lot privacy fence on 1st St NW near the United Way building. The owner is putting up the fence due to concerns with stray dogs (pit bulls) intimidating and biting children. This is especially concerning to the owner because she operates an in-home daycare. Animal control has been involved but the situation has not improved and the dogs are still running free frequently. The fence is a potential visibility concern. Officer Jeardeau will follow up on this situation.
 - f. 1151 1st St NW – two small black dogs let out to roam daily. Officer Jeardeau will follow up on this situation.
 - g. Parking over the sidewalk – not allowed. Call the police.
 - h. The park is much improved. There have been a few random calls, but it's so much more family friendly now. The park clean-up also went much better this year; the park was a lot cleaner than in years past.
 - i. Officer Jeardeau has been promoted and reassigned so we may have a new officer at the next meeting.
4. **Committee Updates**
 - a. **Communications:** Emily Lynch, Secretary
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 - b. **Social Committee:** Tim Hawkins, Chair
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 - i. Summer Block Party – We need an organizer/coordinator! If no one is willing to take this on, we may have to cancel the event. The organizer gets to pick the date.
 - ii. Fitness in the Park – teachers needed (yoga, Zumba, boot camp). This will be held during July and August. If you are a certified instructor and are interested in teaching a one hour course, contact Jesse Welsh.
 - iii. National Night Out – August 1st. More information to come.
 - c. **Philanthropy Committee**

- i. Neighborhood Garden update – Tim and Emily planted some perennials in the garden. There are still some areas remaining empty. Any interested neighbors are welcome to plant perennials, annuals, or wildflowers in the remaining areas. The garden is located on the bike trail near the small parking lot on 11th Ave. It is a raised U-shaped bed.

d. Development Updates

- i. 16th Ave closed between Center St and 1st St NW – This was originally scheduled as a three-day closure to work on the sewer lines, but it was found that the lines are much worse than they had previously thought. It was discovered that the existing sewer line is simply brick and mortar with an estimated origin date of 1930's. This line services St. Mary's Hospital, businesses west of St. Mary's on 2nd street, and properties along 16th Ave. As of today, the road is expected to remain closed until May 22nd. This is a city project and is not related to the Miracle Mile project.
- ii. Miracle Mile Property
 - PUD amendment application for cardboard storage on the outside of the building. This application would allow them to pile "bales of cardboard" outside of the building within the fenced area. The notice was emailed to the neighborhood on 5/9/17.
 - Working with RPU to bury the power lines along 16th Ave. The agreement with the developer was that the power lines from 1st St SW to HOM furniture will be buried within five years. The intention is to bury the first section with this piece of the development.

e. Treasury Update

- i. No changes to report

5. New Business

6. Old Business

Announcements

2017 Pooch, Pedal, Walker's Patrol

The Rochester Police Department launched the Dog Walker Watch as a new crime awareness program for the City of Rochester and as a pilot project in 2014. It has been so successful in reporting suspicious activity, catching prowlers, burglars and kids in the parks after hours that they are now expanding the program to bicyclers (Pedal Patrol) and the daily walkers (Foot Patrol). The class will be for adult dog owners who walk their dogs daily, those who ride their bicycles and those who go for daily walks in their neighborhood. To date, 150+ dog walkers have been trained covering 90% of the City of Rochester. The dogs did not attend the class, just their owners/walkers and bikers.

The one hour training classes will be conducted at the Rochester Police Department's Training Classroom at the Government Center, 101 SE 4 Street from **6:30 PM to 7:30 PM**. The training dates are the last Thursdays of the month: **May 25**.

Future Agenda Items

- EAB Education & Neighborhood Strategy
- Friend of Indian Heights Presentation