

West Kessler Neighborhood Association

Minutes: October 30th, 2012

Meeting held at the home of Lynn & Tray LaCaze

Guest Speaker:

Chad West

- After introductions by Lynn, Chad urged support (on behalf of District 3 Councilman Scott Griggs) for 3 propositions in the upcoming election.
- 1. \$260M to resurface roads. While Districts 1 and 3 have relatively good roads, attributed to the 2006 Bond Package, the current package will include work like the recent Davis redo, connecting Coombs Trail to the Katy Trail and 55 miles of Bike Lanes.
- 2. A 5 mile flood control pipeline from the State Thomas, Uptown, Baylor, and Fair Park areas into Whiterock Creek
- 3. \$55M Economic Development Fund for Southern Dallas. For every \$1 spent and expected \$28 is expected in investor funds.

Call to Order:

Lynn LaCaze

- Call to order at 7:28 PM

Attendance:

David Cooper

- President Lynn LaCaze
- Vice President Mandy Aguilar
- Secretary David Cooper
- Social Tray LaCaze
- Guest Speaker Chad West
- Neighborhood Laura Lockwood, Ron Forwark, Kurt Johnson

Minutes:

David Cooper

- Mandy moved the minutes of the September meeting be accepted as presented, seconded by Kurt. Unanimous approval.

Treasurer's Report:

Mandy for Victor Aguilar

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- Starting balance \$3,208.56 and month end balance \$2,305.20.
- Plus (not yet recorded) \$200 Grant received from Methodist Hospital and additional dues received
- 2011 OOCCL grant receipts provided to OOCCL, no check yet.
- Kurt moved the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented, seconded by Tray. Unanimous approval.

Social Committee:

Tray LaCaze

- Greek Restaurant in Bishop Arts for Neighborhood Night Out, BYOB.
- Fall Fest to include Chili cook-off at 4:00 PM.
 - Agreement to provide cash prizes of \$50, \$30, and \$20 for top 3 entrants. Voting by attendees "bean count".
 - Raffle for Party in the Park tickets (Kurt to handle the tickets)
 - Still to buy beer and wine but meat covered by cook-off.
 - Laura and Kurt offered sodas.
 - WKNA to provide Fritos and sides
 - Desserts if not chili.
 - Set up at 2:00 PM

Green Committee:

- No update.

No representation**Beautification Committee:**

- Lynn filling in till year end.
- Yard of the Month on hold
- Looking for Solar Lighting (Methodist Grant).

Lynn LaCaze**Conservation League:**

- West Kessler was well represented on the OOCCL Fall Home Tour
- Still waiting on the state for 501c (3) status per Barbara Barbee.

David for Jacques Groth**Crime Watch & NOCCUP:**

- Still need new neighborhood NOCCUP representative.
- Nynva not present but OK to stay on Crime Watch.

No representation**Oak Cliff Chamber of Commerce:**

- No update.

No representation**General/Old Business:**

- Party for the Parks flyer includes West Kessler as a supporter. Doing well in fund-raising, expecting 200 people for the party. Friends of Stevens Park & Coombs Creek Trail now a 501c (3). Kurt a Board Member representing West Kessler.

Group discussion**General/New Business:**

- Elections in November with all positions available but existing members able to stand again for a second term. Mandy indicated she and Victor would not be seeking re-election.

Group discussion**Media:**

- No update

Mandy and Tray**Annual General Meeting: 7:00 PM Tuesday November 27th, 2012 at the Steven's Park Golf Course Clubhouse.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.