

Friends of Guy Mason Recreation Center

Thursday, September 4, 2008

Minutes

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City Representatives:

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Guests:

Uli Zizlin and other Russian Poet Alley Representatives

Call to Order

Treasurer's Report:

Checking: \$18,550; CDs: \$70,000

Old Business:

Building Rehabilitation Developments - Report from Sarah Moulton, DPR:

Sarah presented the final design concept, which is to be presented Saturday morning, September 6, to the community for one last discussion. She gave an overview of the entire project process (held 3 community meetings, gathered input via meetings and questionnaires, then presented two options in August which resulted in a clear preference for Option #1. Some tweaking was done to address concerns raised regarding parking, building accessibility, loss of green space, etc.) The new building will be along Calvert and the dog park will remain in the current location. The dog park has been measured (6,200 sf) and will meet new requirements but application is required to formalize. Ramps will be built to allow for stroller access from the corner of

Wisconsin and Calvert. Sarah is in the process of sharing with local ANC's. The staged project will take approximately 18 months to complete and they are still planning to break ground this year. The sponsors of the Russian Poet Alley expressed their gratitude for our maintaining this important cultural site, which has gotten some recent publicity.

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Basketball Backboards:

Turf Center had provided a proposal for \$1780 to install new posts and backboards. Board had approved up to \$2,000 from general funds already. After further inquiry by Milton, decision made to proceed with Turf Center.

Financial Reports and Audit:

Efforts to find suitable suppliers of these services continue.

Partnership Agreement Revisions:

There are many issues with DPR's proposed new partnership agreement which would require restructuring of FOGM. As this is not feasible, there is much work required in order to come to resolution. Milton and Roz will turn to addressing these issues after some pending priorities are dealt with.

Website Maintenance:

Chris Marlow reported he has simplified the website. There was discussion regarding the scope of the site and desire to limit the scope to FOGM business only but to make it more user-friendly to the average neighbor just trying to see what's going on at Guy Mason. Hadley Boyd agreed to be the content editor, and Chris will handle technical implementation. Chris will also provide a link to the Guy Mason Program Info.

New Business:

Appointment of a New Registered Agent:

Motion made to thank Jim Halpern for his years of service and appoint Anslie Stokes as the new Registered Agent. **Passed.**

Support for Current Ad Listing Program Offerings/Establishment of Discretionary Fund:

Caryl reported ads to be run in Georgetown Current at a cost of approx. \$200. Motion made for FOGM to pay for the ads. **Passed.** Motion made to establish a petty cash fund of \$200. for Caryl to use at her discretion for small office expenses in the future. **Passed.**

Garden and Tree Maintenance:

There is much maintenance required and it is time to establish a regular service schedule. There are also some playground maintenance issues (i.e. sifter) which need attention. There will be a Fall Clean-Up Day and Columbus Day weekend was discussed as a possibility.

Board Re-Elections: Need to Address

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting Date is October 2