Kessler Neighbors United

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Minutes and Agenda			
Purpose	Monthly Meeting		
Date	26 May 2015		
Location	Steven's Park Golf Course		
Meeting Timeline	Start Time: 7:07 pm End Time: 8:17 pm Duration: 1 hr 10 min		

Participants					
Name	Attended	Name	Attended	Name	Attended
Robb Puckett (Pres)		Jerry Sanchez	Х	Cindy Pierce	X
Jason Graves (VP)	X	Donna Hitt	Х	Jan Doherty	X
Kay Helzer (Tres)		Jerry Beech	Х	Terry Egger	NOCUPP
Susan Via (Sec)	Х	Stephani Kyle	Х	Russ Aikman	NOCUPP

Discussion Items			
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	Prior Meeting Minutes	Motion made and approved to accept minutes from April meeting.	
1	Committee Updates		
1.1	Annual Picnic	Susan Via: The picnic is postponed once again due to rain and mud. New date is Sunday, September 20 from 4-7p in Robert's Forest.	
1.2	Beautification	Cindy Pierce: Trees on three islands were trimmed. Additional islands need trimming: Clinton/Canterbury, Argonne/Lausanne and Winnetka at Canterbury. Board approved spending to trim islands. Will request city to remove downed Elm tree Edgefield. Some lights and irrigation need to be fixed. Will send a reminder in the next newsletter about rain/freeze sensors and the need to turn off sprinklers during and after rain.	

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		Jerry Beech:
		KNU is largest of the NOCUPP neighborhood. There has been a general drop in crime since the inception of NOCUPP. Participating neighborhoods have had larger drop in crime than greater North Oak Cliff.
		NOCUPP is considering offering police officers to come to neighborhood meetings or to a specific street or area to answer questions.
1.3	Crime/NOCUPP	There has been a lot of car break-ins since Dec 2014. Most happen at night in KNU East Kessler, Winnetka Heights. In some cases, thieves jacked up the car and removed the wheels. 2015: three cars stolen, 18 car break-ins 2014: two cars stolen and three car break-ins
		Alley reminder: will include a reminder in the newsletters to homeowners to trim and clear alleys (trees, brush, trash) so police can get through. Police will not go down an alley if brush will scratch the car as they are held responsible for damage to the cars.
		Police are currently patrolling about 70 hours per week. The goal is about 100 hours. If we want 24/7 patrolling, we would need to double the current NOCUPP membership. Lavinia Heights and Kings Highway may join NOCUPP.
1.4	Directory	Robb Puckett: No updates
1.5	Fundraising	Open
1.6	Green Team	Open
1.7	Holiday Lights	Open
1.8	Kessler Krawl	Jason Graves: No updates
1.9	Streetscapes	Cindy Pierce: No updates
1.10	Traffic/ Twenty is Plenty	Open
1.11	Membership	Jan Doherty: No updates
1.12	Social Media/ Newsletter	Stephani Kyle: No updates
1.13	Conservation	Jerry Sanchez: No updates

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		Cindy Pierce:
1.14	Green space	Golf for the parks is October 12, Columbus day. Funds raised support the maintenance of the flowering beds on the golf course and along the Coombs Creek Trail. KNU has been a sponsor in the past. Board needs to determine what we will sponsor. Exercise equipment will be installed near the tennis courts. The City provided a matching grant for commissioned art pieces along the trail. Steps: KNU hired an engineer to review the steps and provide a report on what needs to be done to fix the safety issues. The report should be ready in mid-June. Once we have the report, it will be filed with the city along with an ADA waiver. Once safety issues are fixed, the barricades can be removed.
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1.15	OOCCL	Open: No updates
1.16	New neighbors	Donna Hitt: Vendor has agreed to provide small toffee box for \$4 each, his breakeven price. This, along with two coffee cups, coffee, a directory and krawl tote bags, makes up the KNU welcome gift.
1.17	Treasury	Kay Helzer: No updates
2	New Business	
3	Old Business	
4	Next Meeting	Tuesday, 23 June 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Steven Park golf course