

GVR Citizens' Advisory Board General Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2008
6 P.M.

Executive Committee Present: John Brown, Jerry Jacobs, Tim Sheahan, Elaine Smith

Other Members Present: Thad Jacobs, Paul Gilberto, TJ Stone, Marlene Martin, John V. Smith, Ed Garner, Amy Schwartz, Vanita Warren (DPD), Anita Gomez (DPD), Linda Bierman

The meeting was called to order by President Tim Sheahan. All those in attendance introduced themselves. The minutes of the June 17th meeting were approved. The

Treasurer's report was given by Jerry Jacobs. We have a balance of \$861.50 after spending \$72 for a post office box, \$50. to incorporate, and \$16.50 for checks. The budget for 2008 includes a banner which will cost \$120, a canopy for \$100. and \$300 to form our 501c3 organization. Paul Gilberto moved to approve, Jerry Jacobs seconded it and it was unanimously approved.

Committee reports began with the EDUCATION Committee by Thad Jacobs, chairman. The committee wants to get information out about the new High School, educate the community to vote for it. And the group is working on the Qwest program, encouraging people to sign up for paperless billing and selecting a school district to which Qwest will give 1%.

Jeff Jacobsen, Chair of the PUBLIC SAFETY Committee, was absent so Tim Sheahan reported that the committee is working on getting more Neighborhood Watch programs in the community.

Paul Gilberto shared information about the Graffiti Hotline. The program has been very effective as the number of incidents has gone down, they might see 2 to 4 small tags a day. From Jan. 1 to the present time, there has been over 500 incidents in GVR. Vanita Warren, DPD, reported on some crime statistics. Total crime in GVR is down about 20% since last year, though some categories have gone up: sexual assault, crimes against other persons, and fraud.

Anthony Noble, Chair of NEIGHBORHOOD ECONOMICS, was absent but sent word that his Committee will soon be working on a letter stating all of the positive things about living in GVR to especially send to Realtors.

Linda Bierman, Chair of COMMUNITY EVENTS reported that her committee had held a meeting and plans to put together a survey to find out what the community wants which they intend to communicate online and in the local newspapers and newsletters. There was some discussion about the National Night Out, Gobble Wobble, and having a garage

sale which included both north and south GVR into one. She shared some budget information as to the costs of various events as presented by Oakwood. TJ Stone commented that the HOA will be hosting GVR Days on August 16th and that CAB may want to put up a tent/banner and to inform the community about the organization.

GVR Spotlight this month revealed that Amy Schwartz has taken the position (along with Jerry Jacobs) that Kelly Leid once held with the Foundation for Educational Excellence. They are focusing on 18 schools and according to Amy Schwartz they are especially interested in getting people to support the new High School. Actually, the campus will hold two buildings, the High School and a building for pre-school through 8th grade. By doing it this way, the second building would be at minimal cost. Ed Garner wondered how it would work to put these varying ages together on one campus as he felt the educational results are more important than just saving money.

Jerry Jacobs gave the Developer Update. The bridge near 56th Ave. is being paved today. Then they will switch to the other lanes for work to be completed in about two months. New traffic signals are coming and new landscaping in areas.

The meeting was adjourned. After the adjournment, Michael Hancock arrived and encouraged everyone to attend his Denver District 11 picnic on July 19th, 4 to 8 P.M. at 23rd and Quebec. He also said he had a \$1000 check to give to CAB.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine Smith