

GVR Citizens Advisory Board, General Meeting
April 15th, 2008; 6 P.M.
GVR Rec Center

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

Other Board Members Present: Paul Gilberto, P. Chanthavong, Anthony Noble, Ron Mitchell, Art Connally, Jeff Jacobsen, Earleen Brown, Ed Garner, Jeff Hollman

The meeting was called to order by President Tim Sheahan. A motion was made by John Brown and seconded by Jerry Jacobs to approve the minutes. The Board unanimously approved. A motion to ratify the revised by-laws was made by Jerry Jacobs and seconded by John Brown and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Sheahan then talked about committees noting that chairpersons of committees will be members of the executive committee. The Executive Committee will meet monthly and full Board will meet quarterly. A sign up sheet was passed around. The functions of each committee was also explained:

1. Zoning and infrastructure--will work on infrastructure such as roads. A new bridge is being built on Tower Road south of 56th and 56th Ave. is beginning construction. Committee will also work with the City on zoning violations.

Volunteers: Jerry Jacobs, Ron Mitchell, Jeff Hollman, Ed Garner, and Ron Mitchell volunteered to be the chair.

2. Education--Will relate to schools and what is happening there; work to get the new high school and another elementary school, support for the new high school, may be involved in design criteria.

Volunteers: Ron Mitchell, Ed Garner

3. Public Safety--Works with Neighborhood Watch, Graffiti, keeping people safe.

Volunteers: Paul Gilberto, Jeff Jacobsen

4. Neighborhood Economics--how help with foreclosures, work with the developer (Oakwood), retail, commercial. What does the community desire? a church, casual dining, library, etc.

Volunteers: Elaine Smith, Anthony Noble, Earleen Brown

5. Community Events--engage citizens more in putting on events as the developer leaves: tree lighting, movies in the park, etc. or anything new wanted by the community. Want to bring the north and south sides of GVR together.

Volunteers: None

Mr. Sheahan noted that we want to get committees operational between now and the next general Board meeting in July. Volunteers outside the Board can and should be recruited for committees.

Michael Hancock arrived at the meeting and spoke briefly to the group about building a library for GVR, graffiti, and an abatement program for foreclosures. There is 12 million dollars for the library and the plan is to "move dirt" by 2009 and be operational by 2011. This summer will see lots of construction with 16 million for projects, road improvements, new buildings, etc. It was suggested that the Board write to Hancock's office to make a request for monies for CAB which will come from the Foundation for the Next Frontier.

Budget items were discussed. Jerry Jacobs said filing for a 501c3 will cost about \$500 to \$700. The GVR Foundation may contribute and Jerry will talk to the Foundation. Paul Gilberto suggested we ask both Metro Districts to contribute something. We will also need money for a P.O. Box a web site (eventually) and for committees that will request funds. A bank account will be opened.

The Board will meet the third Tuesday of each month at 6 P.M. The next full Board meeting will be July 15th. Mr. Sheahan will send out an e-mail address to everyone as to where to send e-mails.

Some discussion followed before adjourning the meeting. Ed Garner asked how the community will become aware of what CAB is doing. The Voices magazine will be mailed to every homeowner and the Greater Far Northeast Reporter is a local newspaper to provide communication. It was suggested that a table be displayed for CAB at the HOA annual meeting in May. Word of mouth is also important.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine Smith, secretary