

Minutes
TWNA
October 12, 2006

Steering Committee Members Present: Stan Carpenter, Carlyn Conway, Sue Miller, Jim Massey, DeWayne Severson, Sue Kayser, Ken Fulgione, Harriet Allen, Catherine Sinkewicz

Others Present: Mike Rindo, Joe Herro, Mary Mickel

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 by Vice Chair Stan Carpenter

1. A motion was made to accept the minutes of the last meeting.
2. The following officers were elected: Stan Carpenter, Chair, Catherine Sinkewicz, Vice Chair, Maria Henley, Treasurer, Kathy Buchholz, Secretary.
3. We discussed ways we to reach out to more neighbors. Jim Massey volunteered to host a wine and cheese party for the neighborhood in January. We will publicize it in the next newsletter. Mary Mickel reminded us that Mary Weil has offered to start a newcomers group as well.
4. New TWNA meeting signs will be made and laminated.
5. Newsletter Committee report: Carlyn Conway reported the next Newsletter will come out the first weekend in January. The theme will be "Celebrate Winter in Demmler Park." Included will be an article on Bob Schwartz and the skating parties, a report on the Demmler Park neighborhood picnic, a piece on Putnam Park, an article on neighborhood issues such as zoning and code enforcement, and hopefully a report from Lt. Fahrenkrog . Curt Goodson will do the layout and articles must be in by early December.
6. The status of the website was discussed. Mary Mickel reported that Curt Goodson, chair of the Communications Committee, has suggested the web site and newsletter committees may work better as separate entities. We will put the web address (thirdward.org) on the front page of the newsletter.
7. Heritage Days will be June 24th 2006. DeWayne said Eau Claire's 150th year celebration is this year, and it would be nice to include that theme in Heritage Days. Mike Rindo suggested UWEC history Professor John Mann as a helpful contact. Others recommended we consult the Chippewa Valley Museum and the Historic Preservation Society.

8. We then discussed goals for this year. Code enforcement was high on the list. We decided it would be helpful to publicize codes for housing, parking, snow removal etc. on the website and in the newsletter. Sue Kayser is chair of code enforcement.
9. UWEC homecoming weekend was reviewed. There were a lot of students out, and many parties, but the steering committee felt things were under control this year, and that police were, and are, doing a good job.
10. The neighborhood walk was attended by Stan who reported that poor lighting is a problem on some streets.
11. Mike Rindo said that UWEC had SWAT teams and patrol teams out to escort students home on homecoming weekend. He also mentioned that the lights at 1st and Water Street are being reassessed. Mike then explained that the huge sand pile at the bottom of Putnam Park was the result of the catastrophic failure of a storm sewer, which has been repaired. The area has not been replanted yet.
12. Thank you notes will be sent to: Bridge Coalition who organized the bar walk, The Memorial Jazz quartet who played for our picnic, and to our former TWNA President, Curt Goodson.
13. Announcements: Oct. 19 6:30 P.M. Idea Lounge at Stella Blues, Oct. 27-28, Community Television Auction, and DeWayne is looking for a single mother who owns a home for a makeover from Habitat for Humanity.

The meeting was adjourned at 8.30 P.M.