

**Netherwood Park Neighborhood Association
Annual Membership Meeting
Minutes
March 22, 2009
Tennis Club of Albuquerque**

The annual meeting of the Netherwood Park Neighborhood Association was called to order by Board President Chuck Maguire at 3:00PM. He introduced guest speakers Commander Murray Conrad and City Council President Isaac Benton. He asked NPNA Board members to introduce themselves. Twelve neighbors attended.

Chuck Maguire asked the speakers to address the membership. Murray Conrad praised the neighborhood as having the least crime of all of the neighborhoods in his division, which is bounded on the west by I25 and on the east by Eubank and on the north by I40 and on the south by Mesa del Sol. He has 93 officers and 11 detectives to cover this large area. He spoke about crime trends especially auto burglary warning neighbors not to provide an opportunity for theft by leaving valuable where they could be seen in their cars. He answered questions about the people impersonating Quest employees and about traffic on Indian School. He said that he would set-up a traffic watch along Indian School Rd to look for speeders. He said his office was happy to accept calls, 256-2050.

Isaac Benton spoke about the city capitol budget and obligation bonds to go on the next election ballot. He said traffic calming along major streets like Indian School Rd was a number one priority as well as bicycle safety and traffic control. He supported the teen center, keeping libraries and after school programs funded. He disagrees with the idea of an overall blanket hiring freeze at city hall. Rather, he favors targeted hires in the zoning enforcement and city planning departments. He asked for input and said that he could be reached at the city council offices, 768-3100.

Chuck Maguire acknowledged Tim Westby and Karl Schwerin for monitoring the poop bag dispensers in Netherwood Park. He thanked block captains, newsletter distributors, James Turpin (for printing the newsletter), Mary Ann Rozzell for assisting with sign-in and ballots at this meeting and the Tennis Club of Albuquerque and manager Cathie Cody for allowing the meeting at TCA. A special thanks was given to Carol Maguire for doing the monthly newsletter.

Secretary's Report: Annual meeting minutes for March 3, 2008 were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: It was a good year financially. After expenses for the Fourth of July Parade and the October Appreciation Party there was \$1547.20 in the fund

Election of Board Members.

This year's ballot includes Karl Schwerin, Susan Hagemann and Carol Renfro whose current terms are expiring. No nominations were forwarded from the membership. Mary

Ann and Partha collected and counted the ballots. The three persons on the ballot were unanimously re-elected.

Year in review:

Chuck summarized NPNA activities for the last year. In April we participated in the Great American Cleanup. The Fourth of July Parade organized and led by Nadine Waslosky was a success. A special thanks to all who assisted. Karl with the help of Alon organized a voluntary cleanup day (Sept. 13) behind the homes along Indians School Rd west of Harvard. The September yard sale event was successful with 19 homes participating. There was a Welcome to new neighbors and Thank you picnic in October at the north end of Notre Dame by the Urban Forrest. This picnic honored newsletter distributors, block captains and former board members as well as new neighbors. The Tennis Club of Albuquerque loaned chairs and Bill Marietta set-up an awning. In October Solid Waste management provided a dumpster by Netherwood Park for neighborhood clean up.

New Projects in progress:

Karl gave an update on the Neighborhood Sign providing a description of what it would look like and where it would be located (Girard and Indian School Rd, NW corner). David talked about the Neighborhood Web Page that he is developing and gave a demonstration on his laptop. The URL will be distributed in an upcoming newsletter when the Web Page is ready to be launched. Karl discussed developing a Neighborhood List Serv to provide more communication and participation.

North Golf Course:

Chuck reported on what is happening with the new UNM Master Plan and how it affects the north golf course. Isaac Benton hosted a meeting of concerned neighbors with the UNM architects to voice concerns about increased traffic and development in the area around the north golf course. David gave a great presentation at this meeting. There is more concern that UNM build on land west of University Blvd. rather than in the barren fair ways.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40PM.

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