

Notes from the Fulton Finance committee meeting of August 3, 2016

Present

John Finlayson, Jane Kohonen, Jim Tincher, John Dillery, Ruth Olson, Dave Delvoe

Community Engagement committee

The Community Engagement committee is working on the festival, which is set for 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on 9/10 at Pershing Park. Volunteers are needed for the event. Southwest Community Ed will not supply games this year. There was a discussion about interactive games such as a geocache treasure hunt or scavenger hunt.

The mugs are ready for the new welcome packets. Ruth passed around a draft of the note card which will also be distributed to new residents.

Environment committee

John Dillery, the chair of the Environment committee, presented information about billing for the pollinator yard signs. There was confusion about the vendor's invoices, how many signs had been printed or been authorized to be printed, and whether FNA had approved all of these expenses. To date, three batches of 40 signs each have been printed; the Environment committee has distributed 117 of these to project participants at the Fulton Farmers Market. Another batch of 40 signs has been ordered. FNA had approved requests for only two printings and has paid one invoice. Dillery agreed to fix the process on the part of the Environment committee and the Finance committee decided to come up with a "request for payment" form in order to track purchase orders and invoices to make sure that these kinds of problems do not happen again. The Finance committee authorized payment for the remaining three invoices but stated that it would not retroactively approve expenditures in the future- approval must be received from the Finance Committee prior to any purchase or funds will not be paid/reimbursed. Approval was also given to reimburse Tony Mann for two sets of sign stakes up to \$30.

Jim, as FNA treasurer, reported that he has purchased a CD to consolidate all of the Environment committee's funds (about \$27,000) related to tree projects. John Dillery reported that, at its last meeting, the Environment committee began compiling a list of potential projects which will eventually be submitted to the Finance committee.

Other business

Ruth led a discussion about the FNA annual meeting. The Pershing Park director has now agreed to allow FNA to use the multi-purpose room for the meeting on 10/12. There was a discussion of other issues related to the park. Jane suggested nominating all of the Block Contacts for Friends of Fulton awards to acknowledge their contributions and give them the new welcome packet mugs. Ruth also reported on advice from NCR about how neighborhood organizations should handle requests for appearances by political candidates at community events.

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