

Notes from the Fulton Finance committee meeting of July 6, 2016

Present

John Finlayson, Jane Kohnen, Jim Tincher, John Dillery, Ruth Olson, Dave Delvoye

Administrative items

Fulton Neighborhood News will be delivered this week.

Community Engagement committee

Planning for the Fall Festival is on track. Volunteers have been recruited to organize and staff the silent auction. The format and vendors for the event will be the same as last year. Contact Ruth with any ideas for new activities or attractions at the festival.

Environment committee

John Dillery, the chair of the Environment committee, presented an update on the Pollinator Protection Project. The turnout and participation driven by the committee's presence at the weekly Fulton Farmers Market has produced gratifying results: the group has ordered more "Pesticide-Free Pollinator Habitat" yard signs to keep up with high demand. The committee, which aims to educate the public about the topic, has found many neighborhood residents to be already knowledgeable about the subject. The committee has also recruited a number of new volunteers. John submitted receipts for reimbursement of \$234.75 in expenses. The committee, which will continue the project at the Farmers Market through August, plans to add \$100 to its budget for next year to cover supplies. The committee will provide a summary of the project's results at the end of the season. The Finance committee confirmed that the project is being funded from the Bee and Butterfly fund which was established with money donated to FNA by Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd.

Other business

There is one open position on the FNA Board of Directors; Jane is seeking candidates. Ruth reported that the new welcome packet project is moving forward; the mugs have been ordered and a better copy of the FNA logo has been created. Jane announced that the location of FNA's annual meeting – which will not take place at Pershing Park – needs to be determined. The question is whether to hold the meeting in a publicly-owned space, such as a school, or in a privately owned social gathering place (such as a restaurant or other business). The Board will discuss the matter at its meeting on 7/13.

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