

Minutes of a meeting of the
North Salina Community Development, Inc.
Salvation Army Community Center
November 17, 2011

Chairman Mike Weis called the meeting to order about 7:00 p.m. Other officers present were treasurer Barb Young and secretary Mike Wilson; vice chairperson Carol Schaeffer was absent.

Minutes

The minutes of the October 20th meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report. The balance in the account is \$427.72, which is the same as last month.

Attendance

There were 12 persons attending.

Old Business

Update on Peace Garden

Greg Stephens reported that two meetings were held recently. A few people have been walking through the neighborhood in the vicinity of the Peace Garden soliciting residents' views on the Garden. Ted Zerger, the owner, has no definite plans to transfer control of the property this year.

Christmas Parade Entry

Barb Young stated that persons wishing to accompany the float meet between 5:00 and 5:30 p.m. Saturday, November 19th in the parking lot West of the fire station, which is across the street from the public library.

Greg Stephens' antique pick-up truck will tow a trailer on which is an antique sleigh borrowed from the Flywheels Museum. The sleigh is decorated with many colored lights and Ramona Newsom has written a song to be played while the float is moving. Candy will be distributed to children.

Display at the Flywheels Museum

It is anticipated that the trailer with the sleigh will be moved to the Flywheels Museum and be displayed three weekends in December.

New Business

New Steering Committee members are Jon Blanchard, liaison to the city government; Jeane Grant, NSCD web master and Mike Weis. These appointments were approved.

Possible 501(c)(3) status. Currently the NSCD is registered as a non-profit organization with a tax identification number. If we apply for grants it would be desirable to have 501(c)(3) status, which would allow donations to be deductible for federal income tax purposes. The filing fee is several hundred dollars. It was suggested that at some future time the NSCD file for this status.

Announcements

Due to the requirements of his business Mike Weis will resign as chairman effective December 31st. However, he will continue to be involved in the NSCD as a steering committee member. At the December 15th meeting nominations will be accepted for a new chairperson. His resignation as chairman and appointment as a steering committee member were approved.

Mike also reported that was appointed a member of the Board of Directors for the Salina Chamber of Commerce and will begin that duty in January 2012.

Open Forum

The Grand Avenue church has a small community garden, a Boy Scout troupe and other activities for youth.

It was proposed that the NSCD establish a welcoming committee for new residents.

The Hawthorne apartments meeting room was suggested as a future meeting location. Perhaps meetings can be held in various places with the locations being announced several months.

Next Meeting

Thursday December 15th, the third Thursday of the month, Salvation Army Community Center, 7:00 p.m.