

## **Ford Homes Historic District Board Meeting**

### Meeting Minutes

*Date of Meeting* Thursday, October 6, 2005  
*Present:* Mike Assenmacher, Teresa Klimkiewicz, Patrick Karasinski  
*Absent:* Leon Bergeron, Dan Alford, Carter Brown, Jenny Neill  
*Next Meeting:* April 6, 2006, 7:30p

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Meeting began at 7:35p

#### **I. Announcements**

No announcements made.

#### **II. Discussion / Action Items (as highlighted)**

Treasurer's report not submitted. No new items from Building Committee. Mike reported that FHHD merchandise sales are brisk. No new merchandise, but the new mugs and shirts are selling quickly. No news from Sign Rental committee. Patrick reported that the tent rental brought in about \$250 in rentals over the summer season. No news from the Welcoming Committee, though Mike reported that the Neveu's have been distributing pint glasses in lieu of coffee mugs.

All present reviewed and approved newsletter for publication.

Mike reported that the new Park Street Park benches should arrive around the first week of November. There was discussion whether the benches should be installed or stored for the winter. It was decided that the decision would be made at the time of delivery and based on the weather at that time.

The Halloween Walk is scheduled for Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30p at the Klimkiewicz house – 22504 Nona. A District tent may be erected on the front lawn depending on the weather that day. Mike will get food items as needed, including cider, cocoa, etc. Patrick offered to bring cookies. Teresa will ask the Mallord family (Beech) to once again host the Pumpkin Carving contest. Prizes will include a \$50 gift certificate to Westborn Market, and selected FHHD merchandise. Mike will ask for help with judging at the Fall Meeting.

The Christmas Walk is scheduled for Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30p at the Stewart house – 22812 Nona. Mike will get food items, including cider, cocoa, candy canes, cookies, etc. FHHD merchandise will be made available for purchase as well.

Mike suggesting compiling a list of project budget items. Patrick offered to assess the condition of the District's sign on the Military median for needed repairs, and will work with Kurt Klimkiewicz to complete the project. Teresa suggested purchasing a lifetime membership on behalf of the District to the Henry Ford Heritage Association – run by former FHHD resident Mike Skinner. (Mike Skinner continues to help out in the District when asked, and has volunteered time and resources since moving away nearly 10 years ago.) Mike also suggested that we set a date for a major Park Street Park clean up in the spring - - possibly early May. This was tabled until after elections in the spring so that any new officers can select the date. Patrick advised that he was working on new gazebo plans, and will submit the plans and cost

projections to the Board when complete. Construction on the new gazebo may begin in the spring.

Mike suggested moving the board meetings to a different night to increase participation. Again tabled until after elections in the spring. Teresa asked that the timing be kept at 7:30p.

Patrick discussed the condition of a repossessed home on Park Street, and the conditions of sale imposed by the bank and by the City of Dearborn. It was decided that a letter to the Building and Safety Department at the City of Dearborn would be drafted, expressing concern that requested repairs to the home may compromise its historical integrity. Patrick offered to draft the letter. Teresa will print and mail.

Mike will prepare and distribute the District meeting agenda about 1 week before the meeting to board members.

The next FHHD Officers Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 6, 2006 at 7:30p, and will be held at Mike's house.

No other new business. Meeting adjourned at 8:35p.

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Minutes submitted October 7, 2005

Prepared by Teresa Klimkiewicz, FHHD Secretary (2005-2007)