

Nottingham West Civic Club
July 24, 2013 Meeting Minutes

- 1) Meeting called to order at 7:33 with 49 households represented.
- 2) Agenda was adopted.
- 3) Prior meeting minutes approved as printed.
- 4) Constables Report: None; no representative from the Precinct 3 Constable attended the meeting.
- 5) Officer's Reports
 - a) President – Rosanna Hinde
 - Reviewed reminders:
 - (1) Contact the City at 3-1-1 to report problems with rodents, street drainage, and issues with your neighbor's pets, backyard or pool.
 - (2) Report mail delivery issues to the US Postmaster at the Fleetwood Post Office.
 - (3) Report dead trees, especially pine trees, to CenterPoint energy
 - (4) New Nottingham West website is active at www.nottinghamwest.net
 - b) Vice President – John Benton
 - This year's July 4th pool party was the best ever! The food was completely sold out and everyone had a great time.
 - The main pool gate is out of commission due to wear & tear. Access the pool from the park side entrance.
 - c) Secretary – Angie Lootens
 - The new trash vendor, VF Waste, started collecting July 2. Service is much improved. VF starts pickup promptly at 7 am and they move fast!
 - (1) Be sure to get your trash out to the curb the night before. If you miss your pickup, please don't leave your garbage cans out until the next pickup!
 - (2) Recycling is only picked up on Friday
 - If you are interested in receiving the newsletter by email, or if you have anything to include in the next edition, send the information to nottinghamwest@hotmail.com.
 - d) Treasurer – Pam Ziegenbein
 - NWCC assessments are due July 31.
 - Send your email address to pziegenbein@att.net or nottinghamwest@hotmail.com to be added to the neighborhood security email distribution.
- 6) Architectural Control Committee Report
 - a) Two new homes currently under construction. (Kingsride and Pinerock).
 - b) Plans for two new homes are under review by the ACC (Queensbury and St Mary's)
 - c) Two existing homes have been demolished but the status is unknown. (Queensbury and Woodthorpe)
 - d) The ACC will be implementing a new policy for builders in the neighborhood. Builders will be required to send a letter to all homeowners with adjacent properties and provide contact information. Homeowners are encouraged to contact the builder directly about issues and concerns during construction. In addition, homeowners should keep NWCC officers and the ACC committee apprised of issues during construction. The ACC cannot take action to remedy a situation if they are not aware of the problem.
- 7) New Business
 - a) The park vote was discussed.

- b) The park vote was taken and unofficial results were shared at the meeting. The unofficial tally was 89 votes in favor of an increase in the annual assessment and 58 votes against the increase. The official vote tally will be released via e-mail and in the next newsletter. This is so the Secretary may confirm that all votes are valid (i.e., no renter votes) and that only one vote per household is counted.
 - c) The official vote tally is as follows:
 - There were 149 votes cast out of 349 total homeowners, or a 43% turnout.
 - 91 votes (61%) in favor
 - 58 votes (39%) against
 - d) Rosanna Hinde is interested in gauging interest in replacing the “Watch for Children” street signage in the neighborhood. New signs can be affixed to existing posts for about \$62 per sign.
 - The City of Houston must be involved if NWCC want to pursue adding speed bumps to neighborhood streets
 - It was suggested that signs be replaced on the streets without speed bumps.
 - e) Deed Restriction Violations
 - The current ACC committee is fully engaged managing new construction in the neighborhood. There have been several people who have volunteered to participate in the ACC and a separate Deed Restriction Violation (DRV) subcommittee will be established.
 - The DRV Committee will make the rounds in the neighborhood and will focus on exterior issues that violate NWCC deed restrictions. This includes missing sod, dead trees, fallen/rotten tree limbs, impassable driveways due to broken concrete, rotted garage doors, etc.. The complete deed restrictions are available on the Nottingham West web site. Note that issues with missing sod will not be a top priority during the heat of the summer.
 - Homeowners that are having trouble maintaining their landscaping or property. Help is available for homeowners that need it. Ron Standefer and others are willing and able to help elderly or disabled homeowners with lawn maintenance, etc.. Homeowners that need help or that would like to volunteer should contact an NWCC officer or send an email to nottinghamwest@hotmail.com .
 - f) Yard of the Month award has been resurrected! The Yard of the Month for July is owned by the Krinnock’s at 14134 Kingsride.
 - g) The Nottingham West subdivision sign near Memorial and Kirkwood is outdated and old. This sign is owned by Nottingham, NWCC owns the sign near Kirkwood and I-10. Nottingham has plans to replace the sign soon.
 - h) Floor motions
 - Road construction will be starting in the area soon. There are plans to improve the draining on Kirkwood from I-10 to Memorial. There are also plans to expand Memorial Dr and add a left turn lane.
- 8) Proposed business for the October meeting.
- a) Parking lot repair options was proposed for the October meeting.
 - b) Homeowners may submit topics by contacting an officer or sending an email to nottinghamwest@hotmail.com.
- 9) Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.