

Nottingham West Civic Club
January 21, 2015 Meeting Minutes

- 1) Meeting called to order at 7:25 with 24 households represented.
- 2) Agenda was adopted.
- 3) Prior meeting minutes approved as printed.
- 4) Constables Report: Quiet in Nottingham West!
 - a) Constable has been monitoring Queensbury for speeders. The limit is 30, which seems fast to pedestrians, but most drivers are not exceeding it.
 - b) Constable reporting has been for other neighborhoods, not NW.
 - c) Resident asked about dump trucks and car carriers parked alongside Nottingham Park. Trucks are so large they can't turnaround and have to drive through NW to leave. Sgt. Grizaffi recommends a call to 311. Against city ordinance for commercial rigs to park in residential neighborhood.
 - d) Will there be increased patrols for the Super Bowl? Since Texans are not playing, normal coverage should be sufficient.
- 5) Officer's Reports
 - a) President – Rosanna Hinde
 - Welcome to new homeowners.
 - Introduction of NWCC officers.
 - (1) Rosanna Hinde – President
 - (2) John Benton – Vice President
 - (3) Pam Ziegenbein – Treasurer
 - (4) Angie Lootens - Secretary
 - NWCC has switched to a new management company, Crest Management. Introduced Hayley Harkins, our community manager.
 - (1) Already an improvement over RealManage. Crest found \$39,000 in City of Houston trash credits that RM did not claim for NWCC.
 - b) Vice President – John Benton
 - As reported at the last meeting, RDT Concrete filed lawsuit for work done to obtain city permits for park renovation. No contract had ever been signed.
 - (1) NWCC attorneys filed for change of venue. Next court date is February 16.
 - (2) Demand reduced to \$3,000 from \$10,000.
 - (3) Homeowner questions: Do we owe him any money? Yes, we offered \$600, which he rejected. Do we owe for time and effort? No, that is the cost of doing business.
 - c) Treasurer – Pam Ziegenbein
 - Crest Management reviewed balance sheet.
 - Totals may still be adjusted as not all RM records are complete and audited.
 - d) Secretary – Angie Lootens
 - Advise NWCC of any e-mail address changes to ensure you receive newsletters and other neighborhood information.
- 6) Committee Reports
 - a) Architectural Control Committee Report
 - Preston Mood provided an update on the status of new homes under construction in the neighborhood. 13% of homes in NW are new construction.

- Homeowner question: Do driveway repairs need to be approved? Yes, send photo or drawing of plans for approval.
- b) Super Neighborhood Liaison
 - TIRZ is about drainage. Kirkwood drainage project is on hold
 - Memorial Drive reconstruction – town halls will be scheduled.
- 7) Park Update
- a) Recap: 1st permit application in June was rejected; resubmitted in November which was also rejected.
 - b) Mark Dessens, NW homeowner, has stepped up to help get plans approved by City.
 - c) Due to delays, we are now able to bid the whole project at once. Goal is to award contract at the April meeting.
- 8) New business
- a) 2015 Officer Elections – current officers are standing for reelection. No other candidates have come forward.
 - Officers reelected unanimously
 - b) Budget Approval
 - Reviewed budget detail.
 - Recommend full audit be performed by Barry Wuensch, current CPA. Clean cutover from RealManage. Future audits can be reviewed/approved on annual basis.
 - Homeowners voted in favor of performing an audit.
- 9) Homeowner Questions
- a) Are car covers allowed? NWCC Deed Restrictions prohibit car covers; CoH ordinance prohibits cars parked on the street for more than 24 hours. Call 311 to report violations.
 - b) Contact Rosanna Hinde for information, or if interested in being a block captain.
 - c) How can we get speed bumps added? The city no longer sponsors any speed bump programs.
 - d) Has the water leak at the park been fixed? Yes.
 - e) Trash collection at the apartments happens at 3 am. Can NWCC do anything? No. But, homeowners should contact the apartment complex management to complain and get the name of trash contractor. Contact the trash company to complain.
- 10) Proposed business for the January meeting.
- a) Homeowners may submit topics by contacting an officer or sending an email to nottinghamwest@hotmail.com.
- 11) Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Minutes approved by: Rosanna Hinde, John Benton, Angela Lootens, Pam Ziegenbein