

MINUTES
ECCO Board Meeting
June 13, 2019 @ 7:00 PM
New Hope United Methodist Church

Call to Order – P. Johnson

Board Members Present: Robert Benchoff, Mary Belka, Doug Gibbs, Paul Johnson, Tom Madsen, Sally Reggie-Haden, Danielle Shea
A quorum (quorum = 7) was present for voting Also Present: LPD Captain Martin Behringer

Minutes – M. Belka - approved

Treasurer's Report – R. Maurer – May & June reports postponed for approval at next month's meeting

LPD Report – LPD Capt. Martin Behringer

- NE Lincoln vandalism update: Cody Slama (18 years old) arrested and charged w/62 vandalism events. LPD has identified an additional perpetrator who is in ICU in Denver (was shot in unrelated incident), who is 17 years old. They believe more are involved and that more arrests will be made. This is being treated as a felony due to the combined total damages (>\$25k).
- 1970 Chevy PU stolen
- 2 larcenies involving cash, wallet, fishing license + cash stolen from training room + iPhone/wallet stolen from someone allowing someone into their home to use the bathroom
- Welding machine stolen from PU bed
- 2 assaults – woman w/gun slapping boyfriend + 29-year-old male threatening a friend
- Attempted larceny of bike locked to rack (not stolen)
- Items missing after roommate moved out + dog taken by roommate
- Question: What about guns and where they end up? LPD traces guns
- 1020 North 35th – red-tagged property – received several calls about people actually living in this vacant apartment building that has not been occupied for 2 years. Captain Fehringer visited the property personally – 4-5 doors kicked in w/transients living there. Owner called him back promising to secure it. Trent Peterson will be the Officer checking on this – hoping they secure using plywood. Taxes haven't been paid for 3 years. Needs to be taken down – no renovation has taken place. Building & Safety Dept. ombudsman (contacted by ECCO President P. Johnson) also went through building – it is on the "neglected list". Ultimately would be sold by owner/county to satisfy taxes. Police are trying to help. If not boarded up, City will handle that piece for safety reasons. LPD to continue to check – call Trent with any concerns.

Committee Reports

Communications/Newsletter Delivery – M. Belka

Neighborhood Clean-up – P. Pierson

Website – P. Johnson for D. Shea

Membership – P. Pierson w/help from R. Maurer

Yard of the Month – R. Benchoff & R. Vuelta

Rental/Property Committee

- See LPD report above RE 1020 North 35th Street
- Dudley rental property – parties/parking issues

Fraternities – no report

Mayor's Neighborhood Roundtable – P. Johnson – no meeting due to change in administration

New Business

- Street trees planted by ECCO have been taken care of, per Richard Sutton
- Garden Tour update – Saturday June 15 from 9 AM – 1 PM – D. Shea & M. Belka
 - ✓ All in readiness – have gardens and volunteers lined up
 - ✓ Brochures finished; stamps/ink pads ready; stickers/magnets available for sale (free w/donation; note cards available @ \$5 per pack; tables/chairs for volunteers)
- Fourth of July Parade – Thursday July 4 @ 10 AM – P. Johnson
 - ✓ All in readiness – e-mails scheduled for distribution just prior – items to M. Belka
 - ✓ Need more volunteers by time of event
- UNL Community Service Day – August 24
 - ✓ Registration deadline = August 3 – P. Johnson to do e-mail blast
 - ✓ Looking for projects – suggested that they pick up neighborhood litter – including on MoPac perimeter areas on arterial streets

Pending Business

- Historical Records retention

Meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting – Scheduled for Thursday August 8 @ 7:00 PM @ New Hope Methodist Church – 45th & Orchard Streets

Calendar of Events 2019

- July 11 – ECCO Board Meeting
- August 8 – ECCO Board Meeting
- September 12 – ECCO Board Meeting
- September 13 – Newsletter Articles Due
- September 27-29 – Fall Newsletter Delivery
- October 10 – ECCO Annual Meeting
- Tentative – Neighborhood Social Event – End of October/First of November

Respectfully submitted by M. Belka