

## **ECCO Board Meeting**

**April 10, 2014 7:00 p.m.**

**Newman Parish New Hope (Warren Methodist) Church Library**

In attendance: Mary Eisenhart, Vicky Wood, Tanner Hannepal, Scott DeWitt, Roy Maurer, Patti Pierson, Sally Ruggia-Haden, Paul Johnson, Danielle Shea

Review and Approval of Minutes from March

Review and Approval of the Treasurer's Report

**Communications/Newsletter Delivery** – Ann Bleed sent the newsletter printouts to the board meeting. Sally has arranged volunteers to get the deliveries made by Monday the 14th

**Web-Site** – updated for Spring clean up information, and hazardous waste collection info

**Membership** – Patti received a check for \$100 with the intent that it will cover membership for the next five years. Roy and Patti will note it and try to keep track.

**Yard of the Month** – Rebecca Carr is planning to have sign design created in order that first “Yard of the Month” can be ready for May.

**Garden Tour Update** – Danielle needs to edit the garden descriptions for length, and get them up on the website. Mary will help organize volunteers for June 7<sup>th</sup>. Vicky and Patti both indicated they will help. Lisa Sutton may be interested in teaching a class.

**Spring Clean-up** – Patti has everything on track. Still taking volunteers.  
Saturday April 26, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

**Parking** – Mary Eisenhart

Update on meeting with Christine Jackson from UNL.

In June 2010 meeting, LPD indicated that they would be fine with permit parking in the neighborhood if UNL was willing to patrol and enforce the permits. Christine indicated UNL is still willing to do enforcement of permits, and suggested that UNL also administer the permits (administer in the sense of printing and distributing). In the past, it seemed neighbors liked the idea of permit parking so long as there is no expense to the homeowner. The discussion has not gone on to the City, and there will be additional expenses for signage. Mary suggested this might be covered by donations if the City can't find budget for signs.

Christine is interested in setting up a 'pilot study' trial of permit parking. The trial zone hasn't been identified, but Mary has suggested an 'L' shape that will extend West and South of 33<sup>rd</sup> and Holdrege.

Mary would like to discuss this with Clinton and Malone neighborhoods.

Permit parking would be Monday through Friday, 8am to 4pm.

Board discussed that we need to hear from the neighborhood about how people feel about permits. And the importance of getting notification out to our neighbors in ECCO if permits are implemented; Mary said that UNL plans to send notification to students and staff if permits move forward. ECCO could put out leaflets, email blast, and knock door to door.

We also discussed that a system for Temporary or additional parking permits needs to be addressed before Permit Parking is implemented.

**Idylwild Park renovation** timeframe – Mary Eisenhart

Info from J. J. Yost – Parks and Rec is taking bids for the work, and expects to complete the work by early fall

**Peter Pan Party** – May 9 from 6:00 – 8:00 PM – Mary Eisenhart & Cara Bentrup

The City has waived the special permit fee for the event.

Mary is working on insurance. ECCO would be covered by our insurance, but other participants don't have insurance. The City recognizes the risk, and is supportive of the event.

#### **4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade**

Four neighbors have suggested the same honoree for this year's parade festivities. The Board agrees, and our 2014 honoree has been chosen.

#### **Fraternity representatives on Board**

Paul has been talking with members of AGR about getting involved in ECCO, and they are interested. And there are other fraternities in the neighborhood that would probably benefit all for being involved in conversation with ECCO.

There is general support for including other fraternities in board discussion, perhaps as advisors/liasons. Concern was raised that they should not all be added as voting members of the board as their absence during the summer and other breaks would impede the board's ability to conduct business (reach a quorum). Mary also noted that the by-laws limit the number of seats on the board, and indicate that elections of specific individuals (rather than general seats) are held at the annual meeting.

#### **Next Meeting May 8, 2013**

Mary will be out of town. Paul will plan to conduct the meeting.