

February Meeting

Jefferson Area Neighborhood Association
Regular Board Meeting
February 19, 2008
Bethany Homes

Meeting was called to order.

Present: Dawn Morgan, Mark Johnson, Russell Ford-Dunker, Kathleen Pepple

Minutes from last meeting were approved

Mark reported a fund balance of \$133.00

Dawn reported on plans for a neighborhood meeting at Jefferson School—March 26th at 6:30 p.m. Linda will contact PTA and Dawn will send a news release to publicize the meeting. Plans and proposals for improvements at Jefferson Park will be presented by the Park Department and by Kathleen Pepple's landscape architecture students. There will be three group presentations by students @ 5 – 8 minutes each. Linda should check to make sure a projector and a screen are available at the school. Mark asked if a school tour would be possible.

Dawn reported the city commission has approved community development grant of \$10,000 for which JANA applied. Dawn will write a news release.

Discussed Walk This Way program sponsored by the city. The Jefferson Neighborhood route will be set by the planning department beginning at the Jefferson parking lot. We will receive 25 posters to distribute around the neighborhood. The walk will be held on April 17th at 7:00 pm.

Discussed sub-standard properties issue. Tony had agreed to survey the neighborhood. Dawn noted the neighborhood association can submit complaints to the city on behalf of neighborhood residents. Discussion was tabled.

Discussed presentation of historic preservation awards during Preservation Week in May, and yard/garden awards in July. Peterson Paint, Simonson Lumber and Hebron Brick were mentioned as potential sponsors for gift certificates for preservation awards. S & S Landscaping was mentioned as a potential sponsor for the yard award. It was discussed that three awards per year would be good and that we could add photographs of the houses to our website.

Discussed transferring responsibility for the Web site to Terry Romine. Cost will be \$100 per year.

Russell will work on neighborhood historical research. Findings will be posted on the Web site monthly.

Discussed membership form.

Mark reported on the de-tox shelter. Scott Dahms is a past JANA member who represents the neighborhood on the shelter governing board. Mark will ask Scott to report to JANA periodically.

Dawn reported a \$100 grant possibility from Xcel Energy which is available to neighborhood associations annually. Mark will submit request.

Meeting adjourned.