

NOLCP Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2011
Lower Chester Warming House

Attending: Ryan Stutzman, Marge Shoots, Mabel Galvin, Diana Storms, Anne Hinderliter, Mike Latsch, Tom Schaub, Susie Darley-Hill, JoAnn Chessser, Kevin Viken, Deb Filipovitch, Bev Berntson

Last Month's Minutes: No corrections were made.

Reports:

Co-Chair: Deb F happily reported that the Duluth City Council has approved our request to hold the lease for Lower Chester Park. We were able to make this happen in eleven-plus months from the start at the first annual Picnic-Potluck-Party held on 9/25/10. . Mable G and Bev B brought treats to celebrate our success. **Congratulations and Thank you to all who showed their interest and helped along the way!**

Treasurer: Current balance is \$1879.34. A box of checks were ordered and will be sent to Deb Kohs' home. The charge for a box of checks is \$19.99. We received eight checks to use in the meantime. The cost of the eight checks was \$2.00.

Secretary: Bev Berntson reported that we were informed of several sources for grants: Northland Foundation and Paul Damberg at CSS. Also Downtown and Skyline Rotary Clubs have grants, and application for the Legacy Grant is Oct. 2.

-Joe Cadotte of the Budgeteer called Bev Berntson to inform us that an article on NOLCP will be in Sunday's issue.

-Several people have come forward to offer help: Dan Moen and Mark Williams, (Butch William's son) will help flood. We need an email address for Mark Williams. New neighbor, Jason Wall, will help mow and trim. New neighbor, Jamie Buchite, works at National Bank of Commerce (Plaza), and will sell tickets for the Spaghetti Dinner and wants info re: advertising Bank on boards at the rink.

-An email was sent to David Meirhoff informing of our status and offering to discuss use of our rink if he and the parents of Congdon hockey players are interested in using it.

-Tom Schaub is working on a Data Base for us to be able to chart our members' info and membership status.

-Terri Bakke offered to help with the Spaghetti Dinner

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser:

Ticket prices were settled on: **Adult-\$10.00, Student w/ID - \$7.00, Child-age 12 to 2- \$5.00, age 2 and under-free.** Members present took tickets to sell. It is hoped we will have a fair idea by pre-spaghetti dinner meeting on Oct. 6 re: how many to expect at the dinner. Anyone interested in helping with the dinner are encouraged to attend the meeting on Oct. 6, or inform us by email if they can be at Chester Park United Methodist Church by 3:00 on Sat. Oct. 8.

-**Plates** in the kitchen at Chester Park Church can be used, according to Pastor Sam. He may be able to provide someone to help with dishes as well.

-**Tickets** will be sold by Deb F and Mabel G at Hillfest on Saturday 9/17. Bev will email a membership application to Deb F to have available.

-**Menu** for the dinner agreed on: Meatless -sauce spaghetti, meatballs, parmesan cheese, salad, garlic and plain butter bread slices, and bars/cookies for dessert. Lemonade and water for beverages. Coffee? Mike L. will know better on the Monday before the dinner if there will be enough greens left for us to buy for the dinner.

-**Silent Auction:** Members present took responsibility to contact various businesses to ask for gift certificates or goods: Deb F-UMD store; Mabel- Shawn's Salon. Bev will contribute a hand knitted-felted purse, Deb K will bring 5 of the jerseys that Dick Stewart contributed. We will ask Skeeter M to contact Burrito Union, and the general membership will be asked to donate any collectibles, antiques, or items of value.

Establish Committees:

-Cameron H and Bev B will meet to create a flyer distribution plan for the various blocks in the neighborhood.

-The 501c3 committee (Deb F, Deb K, Bev B) will meet Thurs. 9/22 to work on the Tax Exempt forms.

-Susie D-H will contact Park Point CC to see what structures they use for managing their organization and Mike L. will look at Seeds of Success for that kind of info also.

Other: Bev B reported Skeeter M's request that Tone Coughlin, who developed our Web Site, could be considered to manage the site. This issue was tabled for the future.

-Mike L. was going to contact the City to request to have the toilet fixed.

-Pamela Page is the liason with the City who we will deal with for any requests having to do with the site or the buildings. She is who we submit the Tenant Key Request form to. She can be contacted by email at ppage@duluthmn.gov or 218 -591- 0699 by phone.

- We already have one key (Bev B has it) bev.berntson@gmail.com) and a request for four more keys will be made: one each for Deb F, Mabel G, our as yet unnamed Scheduler, and an as yet unnamed Maintenance Volunteer.

Meeting adjourned: 9:00 pm

Next Meeting: Thursday October 20, 2011 7:00 pm at Lower Chester Park

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Bev Berntson

Secretary, NOLCP

