

EAST WALNUT HILLS ASSEMBLY
Meeting
Wednesday, Sept. 5, 2007, 7:00 PM

AGENDA ITEM		ACTION
<p>1. Welcome and Introduction</p> <p>Minutes June 2007 Meeting</p>	<p>Joe Balbo, new president, welcomed all to first fall meeting. Joe asked all to sign in. All announcements and information are on www.eastwalnut hills.com, including Dates to Remember.</p> <p>Minutes from June reviewed. They were accepted as written</p>	<p>Approve 6/07 EWHHA minutes 1st: Ed Pletzing 2nd: Betty Hall Unanimous affirmative vote</p>
<p>2. Treasurer: Missy Fox</p>	<p>Treasurer reports a balance of \$1600. We have 3 small bills pending. We have received several donations and plant sale revenue (\$1101.) Request was made for formal reporting of finances each month. Joe Balbo will take responsibility to work on this with Missy to develop regular reporting format.</p>	
<p>3. Corresponding and Membership Secretary: Betty Conlon</p>	<p>Betty was not present. Question was posed about how membership is formalized. Do we have a card? Opinion has been expressed that we need to know who has paid dues so that we know who is eligible to vote. General opinion expressed was that most votes are so close to unanimous that vote status is not an issue. If an issue is close, then paid membership enabling voting rights are only eligible to cast a vote. Membership appeal letters are going out soon. It was recommended also that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Records of membership be kept and updated • Membership registrations be made available at every Assembly Meeting. 	
<p>4. Police Report</p>	<p>Lt. Williams, Commander, District 2 introduced Sergeant Sylvia Morales, who is coming into District 2. They report that crime is still down. Don't keep anything lying out in view the car. Dexter, Woodburn, Ingleside, Cleinview, Victory, etc. have had car break-ins. Calls for service report usual kinds of activity. Police gave us a printed police report. Sgt. Morales considers District 2 "paradise". Resident reports several persons sleeping out on the street. Police are aware and will continue to watch. Captain Gregoire is resigning as of Friday. His successor is unknown. A request is made for police to look for truancy and curfew violations.</p> <p>Officer Joe Eifers: He reports not much going on. Joe introduced Officer Brandon Taylor who is new probation officer at our substation. Supplies at substation are good. Joe is returning to full-time duty in East Walnut Hills and environs.</p>	<p>765-1212—number to Sergeant Morales: 708-8299</p> <p>363-0063 to call and report observed violations of curfew and truancy</p> <p>Joe Eifers with probation-961-3377</p>

<p>5. Committee Reports</p>	<p>Committee Reports</p> <p>Missy Fox explained: CNBDU has 2 “buckets” --smaller fund and larger fund (Streetscape, which is competitive process has produced \$ 900,000 for EWH which we have received over two years. We can still apply for \$5000. for business district. We can also apply for \$5000. or so from NSP this year.</p> <p>Streetscape has arrived. Contract is signed with R.A. Miller and electrical work has been contracted. Wires will be reoriented, Warner raise wires, lights activated. This should happen over the next 3-8 weeks.</p> <p>Wires and poles will be underground on Woodburn from Chapel to Taft. This has been very arduous in bringing to completion.</p> <p>Groundbreaking for the Streetscape Project at San Marco, September 27.</p> <p>Buildings and Inspections: have been looking through the neighborhood to identify unsightly and neglected buildings. Resident praised the change in neighborhood with the closing of the Mitchell properties on Victory Parkway. These buildings should be coming up on foreclosure sale; we may try to get them demolished. Perhaps someone may want the property for parking.</p> <p>Christa Criddle and Councilman Monzell's office is promoting Quality of Life Training—having great results with some neighborhood problems. Next training is Thursday, Sept. 27, Oakley Community Center; 6-8. Sign up ahead.</p> <p>New businesses: Seny opens on October 11.</p> <p>Arlene Anderson spoke of a website that is funded by Channel 12 for posting community events. Joe recommends a blurb in our next Communiqué about this</p> <p>Community Communications</p> <p>Communiqué: Conversation ensued about how to post the articles. We have purchased a new mailing list for \$150. We also have a membership letter ready to go out—talks about neighborhood over the last few years. It carries an invitation to join EWAH.</p>	<p>That the Assembly come out in opposition to the re-zoning that would allow the Gleason development to go forward</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ed Pletzing 2. Betty Hall <p>Unanimous affirmative vote.</p>
<p>6. Gleason Property Rezoning</p>	<p>Resident from Husman House explained what Mr. Gleason wishes to do: property on Columbia Parkway—multi-resident units. No left turn allowed onto Columbia Parkway. Husman residents are strongly opposed to the development.</p> <p>A Meeting is scheduled with the Economic Development Committee of City council for 12 noon, September 11 in Council Chambers. EWAH voted to oppose the Gleason Development. Councilman Monzell recommended that our letter notifying of our stance be sent to all Economic Development Committee members. Email instead of mailing.</p>	<p>That the Assembly come out in opposition to the re-zoning that would allow the Gleason development to go forward</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ed Pletzing 2. Betty Hall <p>Unanimous affirmative vote.</p>

7. Agenda for the new year--discussion	<p>Joe Balbo presented an agenda for the next year, representing what the Board prioritized. We would like to develop action steps. It as suggested that we identify and quantify what has been done in these areas. Assembly participants were invited to respond.</p> <p>The Board would like to assign one person who can contribute a significant amount of time to each of these:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Quality of life: improving visual appeal and perceptions. Board is interested in using branding for promoting the neighborhood. 2. Businesses--Continuing to attract new business and support existing businesses 3. Greater Participation--Focus on human resources and community events 4. Crime--Continuing the great improvements in actual crime reduction as well as perceptions 5. Fund raising--Securing both public and private funds to facilitate continued improvements 	
8. Old and new business	<p>Councilman Monzell was invited to address the Assembly. He reminded us of the upcoming elections. He worked with changing name of Winton Place to Spring Grove Village--also went through the branding process. Kudos to Christa Criddle, Monzell's Assistant, who has come to every meeting.</p> <p>He invited us to the Community Summit for Child Safety--asking neighborhoods to come and say how we can make neighborhoods safe for our children. September 15 at Community Action Agency; Dr. Victor Garcia from Children's Hospital is main speaker. There will also be youth at the Summit.</p> <p>Candidates' Night--scheduled for Oct. 11 at Douglass Elementary School, 7 PM. This is in addition to regular Assembly Meeting. Oct. 4. There is a Council debate also at the Greenwich in Walnut Hills.</p>	
8. Adjourn		<p>1st: Betty Hall 2nd: Arlene Unanimous affirmative vote.</p>

Recorded by: Sally Sherman, RSM
Recording Secretary

Next Assembly Meeting: Wednesday, October 3, 2007, 7:00 PM, De Sales Crossings Center
Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2007 7:00 PM, EWH Substation
Next De Sales Corner Bus. Mtg. Monday, Sept. 17, 2007, noon, 1647 Clayton St.