

Eastmorland Community Association Monthly Meeting – September 11, 2018

Minutes

Board Directors & Officers:	Bobbi Nowak
Kathy Soukup, President	Carrie Ezzell
Fred Svensson, Vice Presiden	Grant Foster
Dan Zimmerman, Treasurer and Secretary	Kris Whitman
	Bryn Thompson
	Patrick Soukup

1. Call to order and call for changes to the agenda

All nine Board Directors/Officers were present: a quorum was established. Two items were added to the agenda: 1) Report on a block party in the neighborhood; and 2) Update on the Milwaukee Street plan.

2. Review and approval of minutes of the August 14, 2018 meeting

Mr. Woolsey moved to approve the minutes “as is”. Mr. Soukup seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Zimmerman noticed that on page 3 of the minutes under the treasurer’s report, the estimated cost of treating the ash trees was shown as \$5,596.12, but the estimated cost actually was \$5,996.12.

3. Update on the neighborhood sign

The city Plan Commission, the Board of Public Works, and the City Council need to provide an approval for the sign before it can be installed. Mr. Zimmerman said that to obtain the grant funds from the city, ECA pays the vendor for the sign and installation and then submits a copy of the invoice for reimbursement.

4. Update on a block party that was held in the neighborhood

For the third year, a block party was held on Calvert Street (neighbors from Lynnhaven Road and Silver Road were invited to participate). The purpose of this block party was to get to know neighbors, which in turn was hoped to decrease drug dealing on the street. The permit to block off the street requires the approval of 70% of the households on the affected street and a \$50 permit fee, which was paid for by the neighbors in attendance. The block party ran from Noon to 10:30 p.m. 30 persons/neighbors attended the party, as did Madison Chief of Police, Mike Koval.

Mr. Foster moved to have ECA support up to five block parties during CY 2019 by paying the \$50 permit on a first come, first serve basis. Ms. Ezell seconded the motion. Ms. Daniels moved to amend the motion to support first time permits. The amendment was seconded by Mr. Foster. Both the amendment and the motion passed unanimously.

5. Update on the Milwaukee Street redevelopment plan

- Mr. Woolsey sent a letter to each member of the Plan Commission detailing his objections to the potential extensions of Dawes Street to Silver Road and Buckingham Lane through to Milwaukee Street.

- During the last meeting of the Plan Commission, the Commission voted to deny the potential extensions of Dawes Street and Buckingham Lane.
- Phil Woodman reportedly indicated that he does not intend to move the grocery store from its current location on Milwaukee Street.

6. Set a date and budget for the annual raking party

Ms. Whitman volunteered to host the raking party this year. A consensus was obtained to hold the raking party on Saturday, November 10th with a rain date for Sunday, November 11th. **Ms. Ezzel moved to approve a budget of up to \$150 for expenses for the party. Mr. Woolsey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

7. Discussion of an annual budget

This agenda item was tabled.

8. Treasurer's Report

	Balance as of 07/31/2018	This month		Total
		Contributions	Ad Revenue	
General fund	\$14,889.43	\$30.00	\$639.20	\$15,558.63
Save the Park Ash Trees	\$5,042.26	\$200.00		\$5,242.26
Total Checking/Savings	\$19,931.69			\$20,800.89
Paypal account (ash trees)	\$0.00	\$350.00		\$350.00
Accounts Overdue/due			\$1,309.26	\$1,309.26
Checks not Cashed (Liability)	\$0.00	\$7,540.68		\$7,540.68
Prepaid ads	\$0.00		\$2,420.67	\$2,420.67
Balance	\$18,820.28	\$580.00	\$639.20	\$12,498.80

Mr. Zimmerman reported that total amount raised to date to treat the neighborhood ash trees (see the above table) is \$5,592.26. Ms. Soukup reported that the estimated cost from Tree Health Management to complete the treatment of the ash trees was \$5,996.12, but the final bill was \$6,311.23. The successful motion from last month's meeting to cover the treatment of the ash trees in CY 2018 beyond the amount of funds raised for this purpose, if necessary, means that ECA is covering \$718.97 beyond the funds raised to date for treatment of the ash trees.

9. Call for agenda items for the October 9th meeting

A regular agenda item of "updates of city committees/commissions will be added to each month's agenda. In addition to the regular business agenda items (e.g., approval of the prior meeting's minutes), the following items were identified: 1) Update on the neighborhood sign; 2) Development of an annual budget; and 3) Set a date and budget for the annual Christmas celebration.

Adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Submitted by Dan Zimmerman, Secretary