

**Cambridge Woods Neighborhood Association  
Executive Board Meeting  
Tuesday, April 19, 2005  
7:00 p.m. @ 3368 North Bartlett Avenue**

**1) Agenda Repair and Housekeeping**

**Attendees:** Else Ankel, Leslie Fillingham, Peter McMullen, Birgir Pahl, Deborah Slakes and Rusty Smith.

Fillingham moved and Smith seconded that the February 2005 Executive Board meeting minutes be accepted as filed. They are to be posted on the CWNA website by Pahl.

There was discussion about the topic and guests for the May 17, 2005, general meeting. Ankel will prepare a list of previous topics and guests to solicit interest in repeating a program or inspiring new ideas. McMullen will contact Alderman D'Amato and Supervisor Broderick to discuss increased taxes and decreased homeownership at a future meeting.

**2) Discussion Items**

**ETMA Update: RPP in Cambridge Woods:** The plan is undergoing a revision in language by the Wisconsin legislative staff.

**UNA Update: Planning Commission Report:** Ankel attended the planning commission meeting and McMullen prepared reports for UNA (University Neighborhoods Association). The meeting was facilitated by Janet Grau of the Department of City Development of the City of Milwaukee. The reports prepared by McMullen were on the progress of action items on the table with the Planning Commission since September 2004. The meeting was inconclusive and another meeting for update will be scheduled for the fall of 2005.

### **Cambridge Woods Preliminary Access and Enhancement Plan**

**Status:** Ankel discussed her views of how the footprint of humans should be light upon the earth. Mountain biking in the Cambridge Woods is an issue. Should it be allowed? McMullen will take comments until the end of April 2005. Riverwest Currents newspaper will feature an article on the draft preliminary plan for enhanced access to the woods in their next issue.

**Oakland Avenue BID Update:** Bella Fat Cat Burgers is remodeling the old Dunkin' Donuts store on Linnwood and Oakland Avenues. Smith to investigate their hours of operation. Jim Plaisted of the BID requested that CWNA write a letter to Sentry Foods on Oakland Avenue to inquire about the proposed remodeling.

### **3) Team Reports**

**Communication/Publicity/Membership:** Pahl to continue to work on the CWNA website. Dot Spransy expressed interest in working on the website, also. He also met with Ron Pounds of the City of Milwaukee to coordinate with the Neighborhood Association website. We now have a link from the City of Milwaukee website to the CWNA website. Pahl took photographs of Adolph and Rebecca Pahl's home as they prepare to assemble a green roof. He will also put those photos on the CWNA website. CWNA 2005 paid membership totals 47 households. Fifty-nine past memberships not renewed. Ankel to send a reminder letter to help neighbors to sign up again. E:mail notices will be sent also. We have a goal of 120 paid members this year. There will be a distribution of the rain barrels on April 23, 2005, at the south side of Riverside University High School between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m.. A membership drive will take place at the same time at the school. Suggested membership initiative for 2006 would be logo t-shirts.

**Neighborhood Quality Team:** Alderman D'Amato wants us to contact the UWM Board of Regents to express to them the dissatisfaction the CWNA has with any plans for dorms in the Columbia Hospital building when it become vacant. We must meet with the Regents when they convene in June 2005 in Milwaukee. McMullen to write letter to the Board of Regents to suggest a meeting with UNA. The topic of discussion will be student housing and its impact on home ownership in the university neighborhoods. UWM has an environmental council and Ankel informed them of the freecycle plan. UWM Post will run a story about freecycling. Slakes gave an update on the 2005 housing survey of the Cambridge Woods.

**Fun and Games:** Neighborhood Clean-up – April 23, 2005, between 10:00 a.m. and Noon. Plastic bags will be distributed to volunteers. Ankel to send a reminder e:mail.

**Safety Team:** Karen Martinsen continues to go to the MPD 5<sup>th</sup> District neighborhood meetings. Please put up the “Slow Down” signs if you have them. Mary Ellen will check to see if there are enough parents who are interested in the “Slow Down” signs to get them printed.

**Adjourn: 9:20 p.m. Next meeting June 21, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.**

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