

**Cambridge Woods Neighborhood Association
Executive Board Meeting
October 17, 2006, 7:00 p.m.
3368 North Bartlett Avenue**

I. Housekeeping

Attendees: Jim Lewis, Deb Slakes, Else Ankel, Peter McMullen, Birger Pahl

Minutes: August 2006 Executive Board Meeting and September 2006 General Meeting Minutes. Else moved to accept as filed; Birger seconded. Approved as filed.

II. Discussion Items

Organizational Items

Treasurer's Report – See attached report. Accepted as filed by the Treasurer.

September Meeting Review - McMullen reported that he received good feedback on the September 2006 General Meeting with the Milwaukee Police Department.

Eastside Market Event Review – Representatives from the Riverside Park Neighborhood Association, Cambridge Woods Neighborhood Association and the Murray Hill Neighborhood Association attended the Eastside Market event geared towards highlighting nearby neighborhoods on a recent Saturday at Oakland and North Avenues.

Elections and November General Meeting – The next general meeting will be held at the Urban Ecology Center on November 21, 2006. The election of officers to open seats on the CWNA board will be held. The open seats are for Vice President and Secretary as well as at-large positions. The Election Committee will meet soon to finalize a slate of candidates. McMullen will send out a general message to the membership to inquire about interest in serving on the executive board. Ankel handed out a chart of who has what experience and which offices they were interested in. It was noted that neighbors can join, pay their dues, re-new their dues and vote at the November meeting. In addition to the election, McMullen suggested that since Gerry Broderick, Milwaukee County Supervisor for this district was interested in speaking at least once a year to the neighborhood groups it would be a good time to have him speak to us given that the proposed County budget is in the news. If he cannot attend, an alternative would be an explanation of the CWNA work teams and their activities.

III. Team Reports

Communications Team - Pahl reported that he renewed the Cambridge Woods web site domain name for five years under

www.cambridgewoods.org. He stated that the renewal cost was \$119.75. Ankel moved that we reimburse Pahl for this expense, Slakes seconded. No objections.

Fun and Games Team – No report. We need volunteers for this team!

Membership Team – The Membership Team provided their strategy on increasing membership to 110 paid members by November 21, 2006, and to increase the number of neighbors' email addresses on file to 250 by November 21, 2006.

Neighborhood Quality Team – Ankel reported that the rain barrel project is completed and she will write a report on it and she will send out the flyer regarding the Hartford Avenue School benefit on November 18, 2006, at the Broadway Theater Center to all on the CWNA email list.

Safety Committee – Please make sure to contact Ankel as soon as possible if you or someone you know has been a victim of a crime in the Cambridge Woods neighborhood with all appropriate details so that she can then inform everyone on the email address list. Identifying details will be withheld for privacy purposes.

Umbrella Groups – Please respond to the Northeast Side Area Planning Survey. The Milwaukee River Alliance is a group of neighbors who are very interested in the Milwaukee River in the context of the Northeast Area Plan. They are concerned about the over development near the banks of the river. You may add your own input about this or other topics if you respond to the Planning Survey. The Oakland Avenue Business Improvement District (BID) merchants have proposed a streetscape plan that may eliminate the bike lane on Oakland Avenue.

UWM is trying to organize another neighborhood clean-up before the snow arrives. The University Neighborhood Associations (UNA) will give a biennial report to the City Planning Commission on October 30, 2006. McMullen will put together a chart on status of priority action items.

IV. New Business

CWNA membership in the Wild Ones group is up for renewal. It costs \$30.00 to renew for a year. With membership, CWNA is eligible to receive free wild flowers to plant in the river bank area or traffic circles. We should promote this group to get gardeners in the Cambridge Woods area involved. It was suggested that we ask the Wild Ones if they are able to assist the CWNA with the Cambridge Woods access from Hampshire and Cambridge. The Board voted unanimously to pay for membership renewal to the Wild Ones.

V. Adjourn - Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.