

## Greater Parkcrest Neighborhood Association (GPNA) Meeting 7-20-23

### The Way Church

Ken Brooks, President, welcomed those in attendance and introduced the new GPNA officers:

President - Ken Brooks ([kennethlbrooks@gmail.com](mailto:kennethlbrooks@gmail.com)) (417-818-3911)

Vice President – Tom Wyrick

Secretary – Debbie Butts

Treasurer – Joe Stokes

The following guest speakers were introduced by Ken Brooks. Brandon Jenson who was scheduled to attend, was unable to attend due to illness.

- Stevin Cisneros, City of Springfield Police Department – Police Area Representative Officer (PAR). Officer Cisneros addressed questions from the members regarding neighborhood issues related to:
  - \*speeding vehicles (including motorcycles)
  - \*home thefts
  - \*homes with suspicious activity
  - \*homes with multiple unrelated individuals
  - \*halfway houses

(It was recommended to contact 417-864-1010 to report questionable activities, where they will be directed to the appropriate area for response).

- Kathaleen Shannon (Greene County Health Department – Community Health Advocate) presented information regarding a grant Greene County has received for education and distribution of Narcan Nasal Spray. She reported that there is a 25% higher than national average of overdose cases in our area.

### Business Meeting

The business meeting was Called to Order and Ken Brooks directed members to the handouts provided regarding Secretary's Minutes, Treasurer's Report and GPNA budget and financials.

### Minutes of Previous Meeting

Debbie Butts, Secretary, referred to the printed Minutes from the GPNA neighborhood meeting on April 20, 2023, and asked for any questions concerning the minutes. There were no questions from the floor. A motion was made for approval by Judy Wyrick, seconded by Bill Butts and approved. The approved minutes will also be posted on the GPNA Facebook for future reference.

### Treasurer's Report

Joe Stokes, Treasurer, reviewed the printed information provided at the meeting regarding the proposed budget, the financials and the Audit Report conducted by Carl Boswell. The financial reports will be posted on the GPNA Facebook page for future reference. It was also reported that the checking account for GPNA at Great Southern had been closed and funds were transferred to a new account at Simmons Bank.

Judy Wyrick made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for audit, was seconded by Bill Butts and approved.

Judy Wyrick made a motion that the Audit Report be approved, Bill Butts seconded, and it was approved.

Judy Wyrick made a motion that the Proposed Budget be approved, Bill Butts seconded, and it was approved.

### Old Business:

No discussion was made by members.

### Committees:

Ken Brooks acknowledged the new Committee Chairs that make up the Executive Committee, and directed members to the handout sheets available at the meeting describing the committees' responsibilities.

1. Communications- Open- (Chair becomes Executive Committee member)
2. Programs – Judy Wyrick
3. Project & Events – Sandra Range and Jan Wiggins
4. Membership – Libby Wiseman
5. Social -Murielle Reed and Ron & Denita Dykes
6. Budget & Finance – Joe Stokes
7. Audit – Carl Boswell
8. Bylaws & Standing Rules – Bill Butts

Members were encouraged and welcomed to participate on any of the committees.

### New Business:

Discussion was made concerning how to attract new members to our meetings and topics and activities of interest for future meetings and/or social events. The Way Church has notified us they would like to

partner with GPNA to reach out to our neighborhood. Events such as hot dogs and ice cream socials along with special attractions for kids were mentioned.

New Business from the floor:

Carol McCarthy presented a proposal for the Parkcrest Area Neighborhood Watch for GPNA to purchase 10 additional Neighborhood Watch street signs for a total cost of \$408. Carol made a motion that the information be distributed to members at the current meeting for discussion to be made at the next GPNA neighborhood meeting. The motion was seconded by Evelyn Hutsell. It was determined the proposal had already been discussed and tabled in Executive Committee due to the knowledge that the Springfield Police Department was in the process of revising the neighborhood watch program. Therefore, no further action regarding the proposal was taken at this time.

Door Prize

The drawing for the door prize was done and given out.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm.

Submitted by:

Debbie Butts  
GPNA Secretary

