

## Harrison West Society Meeting ~ March 18, 2015

**Meeting** called to order at 6:52 by Kristen Easterday **Quorum** present **Presiding:** K Easterday, President  
Dessert social before the meeting. K. Easterday: explanation of HWS, committee structure, role of president (she is not running for re-election): run meetings, set agenda, serve as main point of contact and head of HWS, working through 311 to get city-related issues resolved. Time spent 3-4 hours/month. Gretchen James is current VP (not running for re-election), sets Exec. Committee agenda. Secretary: take notes. Tim Price: collect and spend the \$. Usually have \$2-3K in bank account. Social Chair: putting together social gatherings, 2 main: holiday party and national night out. Solicit donations, set up and tear down form events, get to know business owners. Builds camaraderie among neighbors. Opportunity to connect to neighborhood and meet neighbors. Membership: D. Curry adding people to the membership roster, reaching out to lapsed members. Distribute postcards. More signage. Goal: get more business presence. Communications: M. Subel communicate with neighborhood and providing content via website HarrisonWest.org, newsletter, Facebook page, write articles, has been on committee for several years. Development: J. Sukosd wait for proposals to be submitted for review, notified via city to build or change something that requires zoning or a variance. Can may recommendations as a civic association, try to work with developers, come to agreement and endorse the proposal. No endorsement does not prevent the development. Neighborhood TIF funds only to be spent on public spaces. Parks: B. Mangia (and Matthew Williams) look after Wheeler, Harrison, Harrison West and Side my Side Park. Responsible for weeding and be cleanup and planting. Focused on river bank past few years and removed a lot of honeysuckle with aid of city. Maintain the parks and keep them safe for use. Working on boat launch at end of 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Two monthly dates Wednesday before the last Saturday and last Saturday of the month are regular park cleanup days. Artwork in the park owned by the Society. Working on final piece for Harrison Park. Block Watch: N. Adelmayer brainstorming how to come together as a group to create safer community. Increase involvement and visibility. Short North Foundation: organization with representatives of each neighborhood association. Our 501c3 grant partners. Lots of ways to get involved. Rely upon volunteer efforts for all of our initiatives.

**Minutes: Motion to approve February minutes S. Dougherty, second by B. Mangia PASSED.**

**President's Report:** K. Easterday. Neighborhood survey. Collected 33 responses. Improve sidewalks. Survey up for another week. Serves as liaison working together to put together a plan to guide the culture and makeup of what we want the Short North to be. Smaller focus group and larger neighborhood wide survey. Focus: Michigan corridor and Giant Eagle.

**Treasurer's Report:** T. Price. \$3,483.73 in checking, \$43.41 paypal, total \$3,527.14

**Development:** J. Sukosd, no further report

**Parks:** B. Mangia. Cleanup on Wednesday, 3/25 at 6PM and Saturday 9am-11AM in Side by Side. Tree planting along the riverbank on 4/25 and 4/27 (200 seedlings). Wheeler Park still closed to dog traffic due to winter damage. Clean up after your dogs. M. Williams no report on the art. Talked at City Council meeting and they agreed to fund proposals by artists. Installation next summer by the playground on the concrete pad.

**Membership:** D. Curry. 75 paid members in 2015 so far has list

**Communications:** M. Subel HarrisonWest.org

**Block Watch.** Nicki Adelmayer also social. Keeping neighborhood safe and building camaraderie.

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**Social:** S. Dougherty. After April meeting there will be drinks at a location TBD to hang out. Bring a friend.

**Short North Foundation:** K. Easterday. White Castle major redesign at 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. w/public parking (126 spaces). Plan public competition to build pavilion for IV Park. Info kiosks & historic panels being update and a couple more added. Goodale Park Music Series runs 7/12 through 8/23.

**Police Report:** S. Smith. Mostly quiet. A few noise complaints from construction. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. repaved by July.

**Open Forum:** K. Easterday: nominations for HWS positions start tomorrow (Kristen is chair). T. Price: Earth Day coming up and volunteers needed. M Subel IBS recycling on Earth Day. Jazz Series seeking volunteers to help with set up, promotions, no longer eligible for grant \$.

**Meeting adjourned: 8 p.m. Move to adjourn Jacob Sukosd, second by Mark Subel PASSED**

**Attendance:** Erica Aamoth, Nicole & Colin Adelmayer, Sandy Allen, Steve & Amy Barker, Dean Curry, Dan Carducci, Stephanie Dougherty, Kristen Easterday, Mark Hollern, Mary MacDonald, Bob Mangia, Susanna and Harvey Miller, Tim Price, Chris Ruder, Officer Steve Smith, Mark Subel, Jacob Sukosd, Catherine Tarantino, Ken Wightman and Matthew Williams. Zach & Yurga

