WUNA Monthly Meeting December 5, 2013

The meeting was held at the Trinity Presbyterian Church.

I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Welcome

President Gans called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

Board officers attending during roll call: Chris Gans, President; Richard Mayers, Vice President; Jim Glock, Secretary/Treasurer.

Board members attending: Janet Pitts Labate (Area 1); Albert Marsh (Area 4); Judy Sensibar (Area 6); CJ Jones (Area 8). Gans noted that Val Little and Jay Sexton are no longer on the Board due to lack of attendance.

At Large: Michael Morse John Patterson; Kurt Tallis; Barb Tanzillo; Carolyn Niethammer.

Guests: Lee Sokolowski (Kappa Alpha); Jack Shomenta; Keith Bagwell.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes (11/7/13) and Treasurer's Report (12/5/13)

- a. Mayers noted that he is available as candidate for Vice-President under Item VIII.e. Pitts Labate noted that her last name was miss-reported under item VIII.b. Mayers moved, seconded by Gans, to approve minutes of 11/7/13 with the noted corrections. Motion passed by all attending with Mayers and Gans abstaining.
- b. Glock reported on his efforts to address City requirements for the CDBG account. A new account was established at Vantage West to avoid bank fees and avoid co-mingling CDBG funds with other monies. Glock noted that there may be CDBG funds due back to the neighborhood upon sale or transfer of properties for use by others. Mayers moved, Pitts Labate seconded by to approve Treasurers report. Motion passed by all attending with Gans abstaining.

III. Announcements – Open

- a. Tallis reported that Winter Street Fair is scheduled for December 13, 14, and 15. He noted that Pima County Health have their mobile clinic on 4th Avenue November 7th. He noted that Spring Street Fair will not change its configuration as previously reported.
- b. Bagwell reported Neighborhood Leadership Institute program December 21st and potential bond election in November 2015, with meetings starting in the spring of 2014 to discuss bond projects and encouraged the support of the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program.

IV. Call to the Audience

a. No one spoke under this item.

V. Beer Booth

- a. Gans noted that he, Jones and Mayers would be managing beer booth this year.
- b. Shomenta noted that 15 volunteers are still needed for beer booth. KA was encouraged to supply volunteers.

VI. Bylaw Change

a. Gans presented a change to the by laws to add a Development Committee. Suggested language is as follows:

"There may be a Development Committee of not less than two (2) persons appointed by the President. The Co-Chairpersons shall be selected by the committee from amongst its members. Its duties shall be to study proposed development plans and overlays for the neighborhood, make recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding development issues and plans, and work with Developers, Property owners, Neighbors and the City of Tucson in implementing decisions made by the Board of Directors."

- b. Glock suggested that the Chairperson position should not be shared and that a Vice-Chairperson can address need for representation of the committee at meetings should the need arise.
- c. Motion to accept the addition of a Development Committee with the modification of the Co-Chairperson position to Chairperson was made by Glock and seconded by Paterson. Motion passed by all attending with Gans and Mayers abstaining.

VII. Annual Meeting, Board Elections, Newsletter

- a. Niethammer reported on topics to be covered in newsletter. All articles are due to her by December 15th.
- b. Date of annual meeting was set for January 24th.
- c. Niethammer moved, seconded by Mayers to set the budget for the annual meeting at \$500. Glock offered a friendly amendment to increase the budget to \$1,000. Amendment accepted by Niethammer and Mayers. Motion passed by all attending with Gans abstaining.

VIII. Development Updates – Trinity Project, Rabinowitz Property

- a. Gans reported that he, Jones, Williams, and Mayers met with Trinity representatives on proposed development of the church property. Retail and office uses appear to be the most feasible due to parking requirements (residential calls for more parking). No issues were brought forward for the Board to consider. Twelve questions were posed for the Trinity development team to address. Questions to be distributed to the Board by Gans.
- b. Gans reported that a meeting was held, with Council Member Kozachik attending, to learn of a five story Hyatt extended stay hotel being proposed for the site. The proposal was found to be infeasible due to a variety of reasons and will not be moving forward.

IX. Misc. – Corresponding Secretary, Website, etc.

- a. Niethammer noted that the neighborhood needs a separate contact number to deal with neighbor inquires to reduce the burden of addressing these concerns by the Board President. Tanzillo moved, Sensibar seconded to arrange for purchase of a phone and cover the cost of the monthly fee as well as seeking a volunteer at the Annual Meeting to address calls and inquires. Motion passed by all attending with Mayers opposed, and Gans and Pitts Labate abstaining.
- b. Gans noted challenges associated with maintaining website. He suggested the opportunity for the website to present the virtues of the neighborhood, such as a virtual tour. There was general consensus that this should be pursued, perhaps seeking help from Kappa Alpha or others. It was generally decided that this is an item for next year's board.

X. Adjournment

a. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.