Northeast Neighbors and Friends Meeting Minutes October 23, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m. at the East Side Library by Tania Hunt, Chair.

DMPD Report - Doua Lor. His cell phone is 515-971-0792. He said there are 22 officers in one at training. The problem with the homicides is that everyone knows everyone and just are not talking. The paperwork for the Police Workshop is on Chief Wingert's desk and he has been so busy and has not been signed.

Jennifer Norris and Greg Hartley from the Salvation Army are our speakers for this evening. They are a church first of all. They are still signing up for boys basketball and food and Christmas assistance. They are having Trunk or Treat in their parking lot this Wednesday from 6 to 8. You can sign up for food or Christmas assistance. Volunteers are usually needed. Volunteer bell ringers can sign up on line or call 282-3599 for the office assistance.

Connie Boesen was our next speaker. She wanted to encourage people to get out and vote. There will be a City Council forum tomorrow evening at Des Moines Neighbors and another at GrandView on November 2nd in the student center from 6 to 8 p.m.

Marge gave the Treasurer's report. The balance in the bank is \$2,497.61. Of that, \$397.61 for operating expenses and \$2,100.00 is grant money. A check was written for \$900.00 for three libraries.

Our election of officers follows. The following will be our slate of officers: Tania Hunt as Chair; Norm Kamm as Vice Chair, Marge Ramsey as Secretary/Treasurer, with Shelly Rodriguez, Valerie Madison, Kevin Marken, Dennis Dyer, and Linda Westergaard as Directors. Tania made the motion that nominations cease. Connie second the motion. Motion carried. Tania then made the motion that a unanimous ballot be cast with Connie second. The motion carried.

The Secretary's minutes from the last meeting were reviewed with the following corrections: In the last paragraph, our Board meeting should read October 21st and the meeting as October 23rd. With those corrections, Connie made the motion that the minutes be approved. Second by Norm Kamm. Motion carried.

Capitol Hill Christian Church is holding a Trunk or Treat event in their parking lot on Monday, October 30th, from 6 to 8 p.m.

There was discussion on whether to use the same Union Park Health Center as recipient for our holiday gifts. Tania will call to see how many residents they have and we need to make arrangements with the manager at Kmart for any discount they will give us.

Our next Board meeting will be held on Saturday, November 25th at 9:00 a.m. at Financial Plus Credit Union with our regular meeting being held on Monday, November 27th at 5:30 p.m. at the East Side Library on Hubbell Avenue.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marge Ramsey Secretary