

**NORTHEAST NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS
EAST SIDE LIBRARY
FEBRUARY 27, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. by Tania Hunt.

Our first speaker was Jim Stevens who is the Supervisor of the City Inspectors. After inspection, they send out an advisory letter for 14 days. It costs \$400 to send out a clean up crew. Renters, if less than eight violations, they will receive a 3-1/2 year rental certificate. If they have more than 8 violations, they receive a 2-1/2 year certificate. The number to report complaints is 283-4046. Nuclear family can live in a house without a rental certificate. Jim is also in charge of the mosquito control. People can request no mosquito spraying and there are currently about 120 shut offs. Spraying is done Sunday through Thursday and starting at 8:00 p.m. West Nile virus has had some positive in traps here.

Doua Lor of the Des Moines Police Department said they are hiring 10 to 15 officers now. Then they plan on hiring 20 to 22 more trying to fill 35 officers. The application is on their website. Three officers have retired and 8 to 12 more planning on retiring.

The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Norm Kamm; second by Valerie Madison to accept the minutes as written. Motion carried.

Marge gave the Treasurer's report. There is \$98.70 left in the grant and \$348.90 in the operating expenses. We will check with the library to see if we can purchase more books. If we purchase \$100.00 worth of books from the library, we will have to take \$1.30 out of our operating expenses.

Tania reported that we plan on having someone from Parks and Recreation to speak at our March meeting to talk about volunteering.

The next Board meeting will be held on Saturday, March 25th, at 9:00 at Financial Plus Credit Union at East 29th and Euclid.

The next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, March 27th, at 5:30 p.m. at the East Side Library.

Motion to adjourn was made by Norm Kamm; second by Shelly Rodriguez at 6:39 p.m.
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Marge Ramsey
Secretary/Treasurer