

**Woodmont Country Club**  
**May 12, 2009**  
**Minutes of Board Meeting**

President Michael Fuller called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. The meeting was held at the Swank's residence.

**Roll Call:** Michael Fuller

**Board Members Present:** Michael Fuller  
Brian Jacobson  
Carlotta Smith  
Edie Staiger  
Kelli Devitte  
Steve Swank  
Adrienne Worah  
Nancy Kennedy  
Evelyn Meyers

**Guest Presentation:** Michael introduced Officer Kory Batterman from the City of Des Moines Police Department. Officer Batterman presented the concept of Neighborhood Emergency Teams (NET), the goal of which is to help organize neighbors in advance of any emergency situation. The maximum number of participants is 30 households per team, and the teams will be trained in four sessions. The reality is that in an emergency or natural disaster, police and fire departments will be overwhelmed. The City of Des Moines has only five officers on the road to respond to emergencies. Lower Woodmont residents are in a vulnerable area, and it is important that we prepare our households for emergencies, and that we come together as neighbors in an emergency. Earthquakes are our biggest threat. One aspect of forming a neighborhood team is to do a neighborhood walk-about to assess what our hazards are. This would be followed by tabletop drills. In an emergency, who does what? Emergency preparedness handouts will be provided to each household.

Michael Fuller will invite Officer Batterman to make a presentation at our May Membership Meeting. Officer Batterman will work with the club to color code a map and neighborhood captains will be solicited.

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the April 22 Board Meeting were approved with minor changes.

In the Minutes of the March 12 meeting, Brian recommended that we enter a specific amount for costs for the Dascenzo encroachment.

**Compliments:** Appreciation to all who worked on Woodmont Cleanup Day! Thank you, Dave Price, for pressure washing the Sport Court. It looks great! We had a great turnout and the results prove it!

Nancy Kennedy thanked Kelli Devitte for picking up the slack while she was out of town.

**Treasurer's Report:** We are under running the budget in most categories. Funds will roll over into next year's budget. Corky's Parade will need more funding. Only \$70 remains from the original gift allotted for the parade.

## **New Business:**

- **May General Meeting Agenda** – Michael asked that committee chairpersons be prepared to present a report at the meeting. A question was raised about updating the Club map. It was suggested that it be updated every two years.
- **Board Nominations** – No report. Michael asked Edie to email him if Carol Belland has found any nominees for the four vacant positions.
- **Dues Notice/Newsletter/Card Printing** – The Dues Notice will go out with the Newsletter. Michael will write an article for the Newsletter. A letter will be sent to both members and non-members. Michael will send the agenda and article to Nancy Kennedy, and then, upon approval, to Kelli for printing and distribution.
- **Burglaries** – The burglaries occurring in the neighborhood have not been via “forced entry.” In one instance, the burglar alarm was going off while the burglary was in process. Michael will ask Officer Batterman to address this subject at the May meeting.

## **Committee Reports and Action Item Review**

- **Maintenance** (Brian Jacobson): Brian contacted electrician Rick Rude who replaced the breakers and increased the amps at the Plaza. Metal signs will be ordered soon for the Sport Court and the Plaza. The Plaza gate is broken. Brian will call Francisco Encisco for repair. The step at the bottom of Bootlegger Trail has been damaged, and the base of the trail should be repaired. Brian will contact Matt Small to get more information.
- **Social** (Nancy Kennedy): Dates for the social events for the year are established. The Father’s Day Brunch will be discussed at our next meeting. We discussed rotating committee assignments to add variety to our tasks. Nancy is seeking further information for the Plaza tablecloths. Because of the mold issue, paper cloths are being considered.
- **Trees** (Brian Jacobson): The Tree Committee met to consider the request from a resident. It was determined that Thundering Oak will be the only company allowed to trim/cut trees on WCC property. The Board felt that it is important to work with a company who will maintain the best interests of the club and that will provide consistency. Any resident who receives approval for work must use Thundering Oak Company. With regard to vegetation on the bluff, Lisa Steele’s contact will look at it.

## **Action Items**

### **Brian Jacobson:**

- \_\_\_ **Have color coded map ready for May Meeting**
- \_\_\_ **Contact Francisco Encisco for gate repair (Carlotta has numbers)**
- \_\_\_ **Contact Matt Small about Bootlegger Trail step damage**
- \_\_\_ **Check with Lisa Steele regarding the Dean of Horticulture’s inspection of bluff**
- \_\_\_ **Print new cards**

**Eddie Staiger:**

\_\_\_ Determine specific cost for Dascenzo encroachment

\_\_\_ Email Michael if any Board nominations come in

**Michael Fuller:**

\_\_\_ Write article for the newsletter and send agenda for the May Meeting to Nancy & Kelli

\_\_\_ Invite Officer Batterman to our May Meeting

\_\_\_ Ask Officer Batterman to address home burglaries at the May Meeting

**Kelli Devitte:**

\_\_\_ Print and distribute Dues Notice/Newsletter

**All Committee Chairpersons:**

\_\_\_ Be prepared to give a report at the May Meeting

**The next Board Meeting will be held June 11 at the Devitte's home. The General Membership Meeting is May 27 at 7 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Evelyn Meyers, Secretary