

Queen Village Neighbors Association Board Meeting Minutes – May 4, 2006

In Attendance: , Amy Rivera, , Marlise Ellis, Neville Vakharia, Walt Lowthian, Steve Schatz, Don Ackerman, Carla Puppini, Rick Cole, Andrew Speizman, Edward Bell, Mike Hauptman, Jim Markham (part-time for Transportation Committee discussion)

Not Present: David O'Donnell

Meeting Minutes: Don made a motion to approve the April meeting minutes, Mike 2nd, all in favor. The March 2006 meeting minutes are to be distributed via email for approval.

Treasurer's Report: Carla reviewed the Treasurer's report. The Treevitalize deposit was from neighbors paying for the tree planting and most of it will be paid out to the installation contractor. QVNA will pay \$22 for trees that were planted by volunteers. Rick made a motion to approve, Walt 2nd, all in favor.

Executive Director's Report: See attached report. Carla requested \$200 for new fax machine with toner - Don 1st, Mike 2nd, all in favor. Next OHCD year starts October 1, 2006. QVNA may not get as much funding in the future based on low income blocks in the NAC district. The district could shrink. It is from Front street to Broad street, and South to Washington. Carla and John will keep track of all their NAC hours spent. Frank Gontowski must resign from the board. Carla will forward more emails from neighbors regarding Christian Street to the board.

Grants for Parks and Garden Groups: Applications for grants from neighborhood parks stating cost and their contributions are to be submitted by the end of June.

Transportation Committee: Jim Markham spoke to the board regarding the large number of neighbors who are a part of the email list for the committee. The meetings are crowded and can be disorderly. Jim recommended that the board defines the committee.

Walt made a resolution to authorize Jim Markham to select 5 people plus himself to be a liason between the transportation committee and DiCicco's office and all City officials, Streets Department and their consultants regarding all transportation issues. Steve 2nd, all in favor (present was Ed, Marlise, Neville, Walt, Don, Amy, Mike, Andrew, Rick, Steve)

Walt made a second resolution that the Strategic Planning Committee will develop a draft of committee bylaws and standards for the board to review at the June 2006 board meeting. Steve 2nd, all in favor (present was Ed, Marlise, Neville, Walt, Don, Amy, Mike, Andrew, Rick, Steve)

Christian Street: Don spoke about the Christian Street issues which occurred two years ago. At that time, the community was promised that a transportation committee would be formed and the board took a position that it would not support turning Christian Street one way. David has recently had the appearance of a conflict of interest in this matter. David was the only board member to be copied on emails from January forward regarding the meeting with DiCicco, which resulted in a trail period for turning Christian

Street one way. The meeting was set up with David's knowledge. Carla, upon learning of the meeting on the day it was scheduled, urged David to invite Jim Markham and Walt to the meeting. DiCicco told Don that he was misled and thought that QVNA's support was present at the meeting.

Don recognized all the good work that David has done throughout the years, but has opened the board to attack on this matter. The board wants to show the community that we are fair.

Each board member had an opportunity to discuss their opinion on the issue. (Ed Bell had to leave at this point)

Don made a resolution that the board will request that David O'Donnell resign as president of the QVNA board but remain on the board as a regular board member with the understanding that he must recuse himself from taking a public position as a board member on Christian Street transportation issues.

Amy 2nd, all in favor (present was Marlise, Neville, Walt, Don, Amy, Mike, Andrew, Rick, Steve)

Walt and Neville are to address David and request his immediate resignation.

KidFest: Amy requested that \$300 be allocated toward KidFest which will occur on each Tuesday night in June at Mario Lanza Park. Te Park will also be contributing \$300. Mike 2nd, all in favor.

Marlise motioned to adjourn the meeting, Amy 2nd, all in favor.

We believe that these minutes accurately reflect what transpired during this meeting. Unless we are notified in writing to the contrary within ten days after receipt, we will assume that you concur the foregoing accurately reflects the substance of our meeting.