Queen Village Neighbors Association Board Meeting Minutes – Thursday, Sept. 9., 2007

In Attendance: Jeff Rush, Edward Bell, David O’Donnell, Neville Vakharia, Carla Puppin, Rick Cole, Mike Hauptman, Marian Buczek

Not Present: Amy Rivera, Marlise Ellis, Walt Lowthian, Don Ackerman, James Markham, Andrew Speizman

Meeting Minutes: Reviewed. Richard made a motion to approve the August 2007 minutes, Mike 2nd, all in favor.

Treasurer’s Report: Carla reviewed the Treasurer’s report - printing incomplete, complete report will be sent to board for approval. Current available balance approximately $54,101. Rick motioned to accept, XX 2nd.

Executive Director’s Report:
• Carla discussed the need for janitorial service for the building, two bids have been solicited, the lowest is $160/mo. Richard motioned to accept low bid for service, XX seconded.
• Carla discussed the need for a board committee to help manage the office building. Walt has volunteered and other members are need. Board members are encouraged to volunteer and a notice for community volunteers will be published in the Crier. A peephole will be installed in the front door.
• Two tables and 3 chairs for the building have been donated by the Neighborhood Garden Association.
• Friends of Beck Park have applied for a grant and have requested that QVNA act as burser due to the need for an EIN. Verbally approved by board.
• Use of Weccacoe meeting space in late Sept. or early Oct. to present a voter education program for the office of City Commission has been requested by Marcie Nevels, QV resident. Approved by board.
• Alan Butkovitz has made an offer to speak to the membership regarding the work of the Office of Community Affairs which he directs as City Controller. Board decided to invite him to speak in January of 2008.
• PhillyCarShare has requested approval of a street sign move in order to provide an additional parking space for CarShare at Third and Queen. Approved by board.

Committee Reports:
• Report regarding 222 South St. –‘North’—Conditional Licensing Agreement worked out.
• Restaurant - Paddywhacks is looking for an agreement for Liquor License.
• Jeff would like to see a proper Liquor License Committee reestablished. Discussion followed.

Public Safety:
• Additional police bike patrols has been initiated - 10AM to 6PM.
• Meeting with Police Commissioner and Councilman DiCicco took place in response to recent street crimes. Discussion of additional lights on the street, more cops on patrol, and possible installation of security cameras in public areas. Police have commented that some crimes may be opportunistic and prevention may be effective. Suggestion arose from board to promote consis-
tent use of front and back lights on residences. Board will look into lighting regulations already on the books.

**Other Discussions:**
- Bylaws will be revised to allow simpler voter registration. After initial work by Jim, final proposed language of Section IV will be submitted by Richard. Proposed language will be discussed by the board at the October meeting, published in Crier in October, and brought to a vote at October’s General Membership meeting prior to the November election.
- Mike Hauptman has been named to the Headhouse Conservancy Board for preservation of the Shambles Headhouse at 2nd and Pine.
- **Casinos - DRNA -**
  - The Governor and Anna Verna have both written letters to casino interests asking them to consider site relocations. So far the response has not been positive.
  - A contentious proposal within DRNA for members to meet with the casinos to discuss re-siting was voted down by membership.

**Crier deadline for submission of articles is September, 28th.**

Rick motioned to adjourn the meeting, Mike 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.