

# Rockhill Gardens Neighborhood Association

Board Meeting Minutes: May 14, 2008

7 pm at the Waldo Branch Library

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## Board Members:

*Present:* Martin Tennant, John Cigas, Ronda Sprick

*Absent:* Patrick Tuohey, Sarah Blasi, Kristen Williams, Janie Weeks, Christine Ritchie

## Others Present:

Sgt. Chris Young (KCPD)

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## Proceedings:

Meeting called to order by Martin Tennant

- The Board tabled approval of the April minutes until the next meeting, when more people can weigh in.
- Martin noted that John Ritchie had resigned as Director of Crime Prevention. Patrick Tuohey has volunteered to fill in until a replacement is found.
- Sgt. Young talked a little about the incident with the wrecked marker. He indicated that the police report was public, but wasn't sure how we could get a copy of it. He also reported there is an increased police presence around 75<sup>th</sup> and Holmes. The department is also working on additional ways of addressing property crimes, like burglary, by dedicating one patrol car per shift to property crimes and purchasing additional technological equipment.
- Ronda said that planning for the block party was going well. We're lacking tents and she will make an appeal to residents to bring 12' x 12' tents that they might have. Entertainment so far is a balloon artist and moon walk. She is working on getting a reptile show as well.
- Martin passed out copies of the 1991 bylaws. John has an electronic copy of these. Note that these are the outdated ones that don't reflect our current practices.
- John researched companies that deliver phone alerts. The most promising one originally only did text-to-speech messages, but now offers recorded messages as well. Rates are \$0.06 per completed call, with no additional fees. Accounts must be prepaid.

## Action Items:

- Martin will check with Dave Swartzbaugh about legal options in regard to the wrecked marker.
- Martin will talk to James Prim about using the Neighborhood Self Help Fund for marker replacement.
- Ronda will email the board asking for volunteers to solicit donations from local merchants for the block party.
- Sgt. Young will look at how we can access the police report regarding this

incident.

- John will type up the minutes for this month.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55.