

MVNA Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2008

Pledge of allegiance 7:00 PM

Introduction of Members 7:05 -7:10 PM

Police Reports (both districts) 7:10 - 7:15 PM

Officer Bottini gave numbers for MV neighborhood in a flier (MV in 3rd and 1st district)

Homicides at 0

Burglaries up

One member mentioned gunshots a couple of weeks ago, another mentioned them from Saturday night.

Ken O. says he can hear the firing range from his house sometimes.

444-0176 is Bottini's number

NSO Report 7:15 -7:25 PM

Barb Potts said they are meeting with a couple of property owners in MV on Wed.

One is the halfway house on Missouri Ave. near Cherokee St.

Contact Barb about that property if you have any information.

A member mentioned 3517 Missouri is open.

Owner of Marine Village is also being met with by Barb on Wed.

Alderman Reports 7:25 - 7:35 PM

Ken O.-Received call from someone who wants to build dome homes on Marine near Osage near the highway. 1000 square feet about \$80,000

Ken brought nuisance cards to report nuisance properties

3450 Missouri was condemned for occupancy by Ken. It cannot be occupied legally. It will not be demolished. It was left unsecured. If condemned for occupancy the police can issue a summons.

Craig Schmid-

Craig says call NSO about vacant properties.

If alley lights are out turn them into Ameren. Car theft is up. Use a club.

Neighborhood Accountability Board for MV, Mount Pleasant, Dutchtown sworn in on April 28.

Cinco de Mayo is Saturday 11-9pm. Mother's Day May 11. Roosevelt Day of Love May 16. All community members are invited to attend. Get to know the school and the students.

BP Bluesfest May 17. History Fair May 16-17.

Guest Speaker: Mike Saunchegraw History Fair 7:35 -7:45 PM

9th Annual History Fair on Cherokee Street. Mike distributed a handout detailing events.

Contact Mike if you want a poster or a banner. 2 ads will be in the Post Get Out section starting next week. MV info booth will be on the street.

President's Report 7:45 -7:50 PM

Mike S. mentioned Cinco de Mayo. History Fair- MV needs volunteers for our information booth. Free coffee from Mississippi Mud! Social Hour- social time for people to come and talk to others. Clarified that meeting is to be a positive experience. Can contact Barb and Ken at other times for problem properties.

Treasury Report 7:50 - 7:55 PM

Mike F. 68 members. \$538.88 in bank.

Approve Minutes

John O. motioned to approve. All in favor.

Committee Reports 7:55 - 8:10 PM

- **Beautification Pam Wucher**

Pam thanked everyone who came out for Operation Brightside. Plans to schedule a workday for the firehouse and a committee meeting.

- **Finance - Amanda Penick**

Eddie talked about the positive aspects of becoming a 501c3. Has been working with law students at Washington University, recommended by Barb Potts. Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation need to be approved. A of I will be sent to Sec. of State declaring ourselves as a non-profit. Bylaws have been in a 3 month plus process. Old bylaws are outdated. We looked at bylaws from other organizations, worked with BP and BPW and Mount Pleasant, the board has looked at them. Bylaws have gone to all board members about a month ago. Received comments from board members. Amendments can be made later to the bylaws. Bylaws will be public info, available on the website.

Craig said we need the Articles of Incorporation.

Voted to approve Articles of Incorporation.

Craig said we should have more people at the meeting to vote on the bylaws.

Eddie said we gave enough notice by the listserve and fliers and emails.

Craig said there is language about Weed and Seed that shouldn't be in it. He said he is not opposed to the bylaws. Feels there are issues, thinks there are conflicts in wording.

Eddie said that the committees will be appointed by president. The board votes who goes into the committee.

Hannah Gilk made the motion to wait until the next meeting to vote on bylaws.

Voted to vote on bylaws tonight.

Voted to approve bylaws. Hannah only ones to oppose. Craig Schmid want to postpone vote, to provide a chance for everyone to read the bylaws.

- **Marketing - Aaron Daugherty**

Cinco de Mayo beer tent- need volunteers 12- 8pm. Free shirts.

Eddie said our booth by La Vallesana at Cherokee and Iowa. Talk to Aaron if you want to volunteer. Can bring your own beer, but remember you are a representative of MV. People will be there to help.

History Fair- need volunteers.

June 7- block party at the firehouse.

Next General Meeting rescheduled to May 19th

Adjourn