



MVNA General Meeting Minutes
October 26, 2009
Monroe School 3641 Missouri Avenue

Social Time 6:30 PM -7:00 PM

Pledge of allegiance

Introduction of Members

Police Reports

None in attendance.

NSO Reports

None in attendance

Alderman Reports

Craig Schmid – Ward 20

For people having foreclosure problems, there is an event on 11/4, 2-8 pm, at the American Center. Organization is Hope Now. People should bring closing documents. Purpose is for people to work on solutions with organizations in attendance.

Many Trunk or Treat opportunities for youth. The one at St. Anthony's on Meramec will start around 6 pm. There is another one at the Salvation Army parking lot at Iowa and Arsenal. Both are on Saturday.

Board of Alderman is working on the smoking ban. It came out of committee and "perfected." This Friday, Alderman approved it with amendments.

50-50 sidewalk. The city is starting a new pilot project that may impact Marine Villa. City can replace the sidewalk and put lien on property owner for cost. 50-50 is 50% paid by City and 50% by homeowner. If tree roots have pushed up your sidewalk, City pays 100%.

Ken Ortmann – Ward 9

With recent foreclosures, there are lots of vacant properties out there that banks haven't processed foreclosure paperwork on. City has been buying properties – getting the ones no one else wants/needs gut rehab. There is a developer that turned in proposals to do rehab work. Marine Villa is a target neighborhood.

Roosevelt High School is doing well. It is in the 9th Ward, but affects all of us – kids live in our communities. Administrators started a group called Conscience Choice to get girls starting to think about college. 198 young women signed up. Community people can attend Community Council meeting, and

can tutor, get involved, etc. See Ken and Craig for contact info. Seeing about raising money to have incentive for women who make it all the way through.

Benton Park – there is a plan for renovation. Wants it under construction as soon as winter is over for concert season.

Committee Reports

Beautification: Pam Wucher

Work on median is pretty much wrapped up. Someone has donated bulbs for spring flowers – will be planted on Saturday morning. Will meet at 9:00. Will also spread compost.

Marketing: Marty Dames

Marty was unable to attend.

President's Report

Eddie thanked everyone for last 2 years of support and work. Revised and updated bylaws, which will give better framework for how things are run. MVNA is now a 501(c)3 – good fundraising around this.

Treasury Report

Deposited \$117 last month. Balance is \$1652.08

Approve Minutes

Approved.

Elections

Votes by acclamation: Pam Wucher, President; James McKee, Vice-President; Craig Schmid, Treasurer; Carrie Freeman, Secretary.

Old Business

If 4 people/week eat at Jefferson Avenue Bistro for a month, \$20 will be donated to MVNA.

Adjourn