



Woodlea Melrose Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes

WMNA General Meeting

February 5, 2014, 7:00 pm, Seventh Day Adventist Church, 777 W Montecito Ave
Attendees: 39

Introductions of Board and Neighbors – Pam Pawlowski

General Discussion

Pam introduced the 2014 Board members. Due to the great turnout and to save time, it was decided that attendees would not be asked to introduce themselves as is typically done. Thanks to everyone for the great showing!

Treasury Update – Beth Lazare

General Discussion

Beth distributed a report summarizing WMNA's 2013 treasury activities. The report included a detailed listing of deposits and expenses from our neighborhood activities. Our ending balance was approximately \$2080. Neighbors are encouraged to pay their \$10 annual dues online at the Association's website (www.woodleamelrose.org). Several households contributed extra along with their dues – we thank you for that support!

Action Items

By Whom

Please pay your 2014 dues – only \$10 per household! Dues can be paid online (preferred method), or in person at a WMNA meeting or one of our organized activities.

All WM neighbors

SRP Irrigation – SRP represented by Tammy Grandy and Robin Heptig

General Discussion

Representatives of SRP were invited by the Woodlea Irrigation Board to attend our general meeting to speak about SRP irrigation and to answer any questions residents might have. Tammy distributed a map of our neighborhood that showed the Woodlea Irrigation Water Delivery District (IWDD) boundaries and the locations of pipes and standboxes. George Hutchins asked if Melrose (the area of our neighborhood north of Glenrosa) is eligible to receive irrigation. Tammy explained that Melrose homes have a right to water **if** they have the facilities (infrastructure) to deliver it. (In the early 1900s, property owners pledged their land as collateral in exchange for water rights. These water rights stay with the property and will never expire.) Tammy will research to see if the infrastructure exists in Melrose. If not, neighbors would have to coordinate to plan and fund the building of this infrastructure.

Woodlea residents who have issues with irrigation during delivery should call our irrigator Steve Coles at (602) 433-0264. Other questions can be directed to the SRP Water Customer Contact Center which is available 24/7 at (602) 236-3333.



Woodlea Melrose Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes

Phoenix Tool Shed – Brady Fulton

General Discussion

Brady updated us on the status of the non-profit Phoenix Tool Shed. Brady is leading the effort to establish the Tool Shed, which can be thought of as a “library” for tools. Neighborhood residents would purchase annual memberships, entitling them to unlimited tool borrowing privileges. The idea of the tool shed has the support of some key City staff, as a model for empowering neighborhoods to address blight. A site for the portable shed has been identified, in the alley on 11th Avenue between Roma and Turney. Discussions are still in progress with impacted homeowners. Once the site is approved, permits will be needed to provide electricity to the site. Brady said that last October approximately \$2000 was raised for tools via a crowdfunding effort. Some funding for subsidized memberships and tools was also requested by the WMNA in its recent Block Watch grant application.

N.O.W. (Neighbors on Watch) – George Hutchins

General Discussion

George and Larry Hempen will be serving as WMNA’s Block Watch Coordinators this year. George updated us on the various Block Watch projects currently underway. City-issued Block Watch signs have been purchased and will be installed before the end of this month at all of the neighborhood’s entry points. Volunteers to help install them would be appreciated. Fifty (50) “NOW” yard signs were purchased to help promote our Block Watch identity. Attendees were encouraged to take a sign before leaving the meeting. WMNA has coordinated with SRP to have 12 lights installed in neighborhood alleys; the target for installation of these lights is the end of April. A communication will go out shortly to the affected homeowners to seek their support.

WMNA’s Crime Summit is scheduled for April 15, 2014.

Attendees were alerted to the fact that there have been squatters (2 couples) in the neighborhood. If seen, neighbors are encouraged to call the City’s Crime Stop at (602) 262-6151.

Action Items

By Whom

Volunteer to help install Block Watch signs at all neighborhood entry points. If interested, please contact George at blockwatch@woodleamelrose.org.

All WM neighbors

Traffic Circle and Stop Signs – Lisa MacColum

General Discussion

Lisa has led WMNA’s traffic-related efforts for the past 6 years. During that time, traffic studies have been conducted resulting in several speed humps and some stop sign changes in the neighborhood. There are currently 2 locations for which stop signs have been requested: 9th Ave/Turney and 13th Ave/Heatherbrae. The traffic count data captured at those intersections, however, don’t support their installation. Neighbors are encouraged to submit eyewitness accounts of traffic incidents/issues at those locations to the Board at info@woodleamelrose.org. These will be forwarded to the City for consideration, hoping to persuade the City to reconsider its position.

Lisa shared the final design of the traffic circle at 11th Ave/Glenrosa, including the engineers’ drawing



Woodlea Melrose Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes

and a display board with renderings and images of the construction and landscaping materials. The circle was designed using City funds. Construction is expected to begin after July 1, as more funds become available with the new fiscal year.

Action Items	By Whom
Submit eyewitness accounts of traffic issues at the intersections of 9 th Ave/Turney and 13 th Ave/Heatherbrae to the WMNA Board at info@woodleamelrose.org to help support our request for stop signs at those locations.	Any WM neighbor

Branding – Pam Pawlowski

General Discussion

Pam reviewed our new neighborhood logo, iconic figures and color palette. We will soon begin using the logo on the newsletter and website, as well as t-shirts. The logo is already included on the new N.O.W. Block Watch yard signs. Thanks to Lisa MacCollum for all of her hard work in finalizing these for us!

Event Updates – Pam Pawlowski

General Discussion

Pam updated us on the status of this year's Melrose on 7th Street Fair. Despite the article in [North Central News](#), this year's street fair has been cancelled. Many resources were diverted to complete the new Melrose Arch making it impossible to solicit the sponsors needed to stage the street fair. Also, some of the vendors, sponsors and classic car owners did not like the decision to move the street fair from Saturday to Sunday. Next year the street fair is scheduled for Saturday, March 7, 2015. The street fair serves as a fundraiser for us – by selling bottled water and gift basket raffle tickets - so we welcome suggestions for ways to make up that lost revenue.

Action Items	By Whom
Submit new fundraising suggestions to the WMNA Board to replace lost revenue due to cancellation of this year's street fair. Email them to info@woodleamelrose.org .	Any WM neighbor