

Next meeting
Wednesday
December 17, 2008

Scottfield Civic Association Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 19, 2008, 7:30 p.m., Gauger School

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Attendees: 21 Scottfield residents, Bill Oberly and Bill Wheatley. Guest speaker, Betty DiDonato, Seasons Hospice.

1. **Treasurer's Report:** Account balance \$8568.20, \$630.06 in Paypal account. Full report available online.
2. **Old Business**
 - a. **Halloween Parade**
 - i. Gerry McVey reported that about 2 dozen children participated this year on October 25th, from 1:00-3:00pm at Hann Park.
 - ii. Each child received a pumpkin and treat bag
 - iii. Award ribbons were given out to 16 participants.
 - iv. Salon Beyond and the Dry Cleaner gave the children treats while they were on parade.
 - v. We plan to continue the event next year.
 - b. Membership drive reached 36.11% participation
 - i. Success is attributed to postcard mailing, regular SCAN distribution, and renewed community interest
 - c. New development sign design sponsored by Bill Oberly was chosen by residents. Installation coming soon.



3. **New Business**
 - a. **Hose decorating contest**
 - i. 3 volunteers will be touring neighborhood from 7-9pm on Saturday, December 20th.
 - ii. \$75, \$50, \$25 awards will be given that evening.
 - iii. If a non-SCA-member house is chosen, the \$20 annual due will be deducted from the award.
 - b. Gerry McVey volunteered to cover the Belfield/Campfield district since no one from that area has stepped forward. Patty Fenlon has been covering that district as well as her large Broadfeld territory. Patty also handles distribution of the SCANS to Street Representatives. Thank you Patty!
 - c. **Snow Plowing**
 - i. Bid from Joseph Frederick, current plow service provider only one received
 - ii. President called almost 20 vendors, but none were interested in the Scottfield in the project.
 1. Most sited uncooperative residents who refused to move cars out of the street to allow plowers to work uninhibited.
 2. Same residents were said to hassle drivers when their vehicles were banked with snow.
 - iii. After the contract was awarded, 2 vendors contacted the board so we may have competitive bids next fall.
 - iv. Following are the actual funds required by the SCA after DeIDot reimbursement. Since the service provider is paid up front in full by the SCA and reimbursement takes up to 10 business days, back-to-back heavy snowfalls could wipe out our reserves.
 - v. Chart

3" to 4" = \$1445 (no reimbursement)	9" = \$1013.25	14" = \$2146.50	19" = \$3145.75	24" = \$3886.62
4" to 6" = \$586.37	10" = \$1175.12	15" = \$2496.50	20" = \$2486.62	Over 24"
6" to 7" = \$1026.37	11" = \$1703.25	16" = \$2096.75	21" = \$2836.62	+\$350 for each
8" = \$653.25	12" = \$1446.50	17" = \$2445.75	22" = \$3186.62	additional inch.
	13" = \$1796.50	18" = \$2795.75	23" = \$3536.62	

- d. Treasurer suggests having a restricted fund account
 - i. Since snow plowing is by far the biggest concern and expense to the neighborhood, Frank Renai, the SCA Treasurer proposed having a certain amount of funding earmarked just for snowplowing.
 - ii. After the winter season, a certain amount could be moved to a savings account or 6-month CD to ensure plowing funds are always available.
 - iii. The motion was accepted with no contest.
- e. Operation Santa Returns
 - i. Coordinators: Bob and Roberta Rossney, 733-0260, 843 Broadfield
 - ii. Gifts are wrapped for children/grandchildren/etc. by their family, marked with a tag indicating child's name, age, address and phone number.
 - iii. Gifts are to be dropped off at the Rossney's house between December 14th and 18th.
 - iv. Santa will begin deliveries at 4:00pm on Saturday the 20th.
- f. Crime report statistics
 - i. Relatively low level of activity in the neighborhood on mischief night
 - ii. Discussion followed regarding some egging and a window shot out of a parked vehicle on Broadfield on the 30th. A drug bust on a main neighborhood corner occurred on Halloween.
 - iii. Passionate presentation regarding over relentless three-year issue with ATVs and motorcycles using the wasteland area behind Broadfield. Emphasis was placed on the lack of effective police response and intervention. Residents understand that the police force is stretched thin, but want to know how peace and quiet can be restored to their residence.
 - iv. Bill Oberly listened attentively and offered empathy, but couldn't offer longterm solutions.
- g. Postfield and Manfield pot-holed road surfaces discussed. Bill Oberly promised to get them on DelDot's list for attention. Update: work to resurface those areas began in early December.
- h. Senior Aid
 - i. It's been suggested by several neighbors to create a support team for seniors/ disabled/ or anyone who needs extra assistance.
 - ii. Volunteers are needed. Jackie Foster will be leading the new committee.
 - iii. If you need assistance or want to help call President, Buel Mutter, at 455-1866
- i. Seasons Hospice presentation: resident Betty DiDonato
 - i. Seeking caring people for office volunteers, to sit with patients, or run errands for stressed families. Your gift of time would truly be appreciated.
 - ii. No previous experience or transportation is needed.
 - iii. Please contact volunteer director, Betty DiDonato. phone number 302-357-8219, 113 Scottfield