

EPIC Block Club
Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
April 22, 2008

In attendance: President Lynn Pierce, Vice President Steve Northey, Recording Secretary Michael Bergmann, Corresponding Secretary Jennifer Devens and Treasurer Robert Smith.

President Lynn Pierce called the meeting to order at 8:02 pm.

1. Election Nominating Committee: President Pierce recalled that Jamie Wolf, Janet Weiss, John Lynch and Mary Stoner (as first alternate) were elected at the March 2008 Annual Meeting. The Executive Committee is now tasked with electing two additional members and a second alternate. Robert Meyer and Debra Northey were nominated to again serve on the Committee and Jon Heimann was nominated as second alternate. All members were elected unanimously.
2. EPIC Meeting on April 26th: Alderman Mary Ann Smith will deliver a State of the Ward Report to EPIC's membership on April 26th at the Library. Dues will be collected.
3. 14th Annual Garage Sale: This year's garage sale will be held from 9-4 on Saturday, June 7th and will be co-sponsored by BARGE, EGA and ENN. Robert Smith proposed that EPIC seek one item to be donated from each participant, the proceeds from the sale of these items would be donated to Care for Real. Robert and Jennifer will coordinate on the logistics of this effort and Lynn will explain when participant's register.
4. Spring Potluck: The Spring Potluck was slated for June 14th from 6-8 p.m. at Bethany Lutheran. Jennifer will confirm this date with the Winklemans and June 21st was chosen as an alternative date.
5. Single Family Home Demolition Resolution: Edgewater Historical Society has asked EPIC to temporarily hold off on informing the Alderman regarding our vote at the Annual Meeting in favor of this resolution.
6. ECC Breakfast Meeting: On Thursday, April 24th, ECC is hosting a breakfast meeting for block clubs with elected officials expected to be in attendance. Steve Northey will be representing EPIC at this meeting.
7. Flyer Distribution: Steve Northey has suggested that we encourage Block Captains to only deliver one flyer (taping it to the entry door) to multi-unit buildings. Lynn will test this new procedure out at the next flyer distribution.
8. Treasurer Transition: Robert Smith and Michael McCalley are coordinating to finalize the transition of the Treasurer.

9. Announcements:
 - a. Clean/Green: Will be held on Saturday, May 17th, but EPIC will not officially participate. We will notify members about the program and encourage them to clean their own yards.
 - b. BEHIV: Resides in office space at Bethany Church and is currently renovating their offices.
 - c. Bryn Mawr Bricolage: Lynn is representing EPIC on the committee for phase 2. Lynn suggested EPIC donate \$100 to phase 2, as we did with phase 1.
 - d. Other: Jennifer mentioned that the play lot at Bethany has been demolished and she was encouraged to inquire with the Winklemans when she spoke to them regarding the Spring Potluck.
10. Illinois Constitutional Convention: Lynn proposed that EPIC hold a seminar on the ballot issue regarding a Constitutional Convention. Mike Bergmann noted that ECC might be planning such a program and it was decided that EPIC would offer to co-sponsor that program rather than hold our own.
11. Let There Be Light Initiative: Lynn Pierce and Ernie Constantino from Alderman Smith's office did a neighborhood walkthrough and noticed several instances of little or no exterior residential lighting. It was proposed that the Block Club would go door-to-door, likely through Block Captains, to encourage people to light their exteriors with the energy saving bulbs. Steve Northey offered to coordinated this Initiative.
12. Pierce Holiday: Lynn will be out of the country from 4/30 until 5/12.
13. EPIC E-mail: During Lynn's vacation, former EPIC President, Clare Lake, will be reviewing and responding to EPIC e-mails.

President Pierce adjourned the meeting at 9:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael G. Bergmann
EPIC Recording Secretary