

# North Avondale Neighborhood Association

## General Meeting

### December 08, 2009

#### Call to Order

President Frank Newbauer called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. at The North Avondale Recreation Center. Board members Michelle Baxter, John Jones, Nikki Kittrell, Pauline Daly, Ursula Hassel, Curtis Arthur, and Fred Fegan, and Administrator Charlene Morse were present.

#### Motions Made

##### Minutes Approval

- Motion made by Julie Fatora to approve the November 10<sup>th</sup> General Meeting Minutes 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pauline Daly.
- Unanimously passed.

##### NSP Fund Category Approval

- Motion was 1<sup>st</sup> by John Jones and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pauline Daly.
- Unanimously approved.

#### Community Center

- Programming hours were cut this year due to city deficit.
- Recreation center is now at a breaking point after 12 years of budget cut backs.
- Recreation has been given only so much money out of the general fund.
- Do to proposed budget cuts, 20 pools will be closed.
- Lorie does art and yoga but can't do it without an instructor.
- A booster club is used to help cover the expense for basketball uniforms.
- There are expenses for maintaining the building and safety and security.

#### Thomas Beridon

- With regards to 714 Shuttlesworth Cir., at upcoming hearing it should be declared a nuisance and then could be condemned. Neither the city nor the church have the funds to demolish the building. The building needs to be barricaded for now.
- The property at 3800 Reading Rd. has been purchased by Fannie Mae so now it is government owned and litter complaints have been resolved.
- Property 3964 Glen Crossing went out to bid to be demolished.
- Property 3636 by Hirsch Center had problem tenants and they have since been evicted. The renovation is no longer under health code violations.

## **Police**

- Handout on Keeping your home safe during the Holiday Season.
- There will be a Resource meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> and a potluck will be served.

## **City Budget Public Hearings**

- Recycling will be reduced to twice a month.
- There is now a neighborhood grants fund that is the combination of NSP and business district funding.
- City may eliminate the litter patrol program.
- Nature Center Programs will be eliminated and there will be decreased streetscape and green space funding.
- The neighborhood garden program will be eliminated.
- Eliminate zoning hearings officer
- Some city positions will be eliminated such as zoning supervisors, zoning inspectors, zoning hearings officer, building inspectors, tire collection, and yard waste collection just to name a few.
- We will be charged a solid waste fee.

## **NSP**

- The biggest shift in funds is taking \$2000 out of newsletter and reallocating those funds to Clean Up and Beautification. This is made possible by reducing the monthly newsletter mailing to just twice a year. The newsletter will still be sent out every month by email and a hard copy will be mailed to those who pay for it.
- The city now does recycling so we eliminated the environmental affairs category.
- We have the added category of Insurance by the City, which is required now.

## **Old Business**

- none

## **New Business**

- none

## **Adjournment**

- John Jones made motion to adjourn the meeting and Curtis Arthur 2<sup>nd</sup> it.
- Meeting adjourned around 7:57 p.m.