

## EPPI Board of Trustees Meeting

### Edgemere Park Preservation Inc. Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2023

Members: *Lindsey Pever, Dennis Naumann, Petra Cox, Caroline Dennis, Linda Clement, Corey Phillips, Matt Goad, Banjo, Marilyn Edens, Jessica Johnson, Doug Stratton, Jann Hook, Doug Eason, Christa Ball, Coleman and Harper Nash, Wendy Shreffler.*

The meeting was held at the Edgemere Park gazebo. Lindsey Pever called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

The minutes from the August 17, 2023, meeting were reviewed and approved (motion by Linda Clement; second by Doug Stratton; voice vote).

The treasurer's reports for June and July, as emailed by Ryan Adams, and August as emailed by Braton Danielson, were reviewed and approved (motion by Jann Hook: second by Linda Clement; voice vote). Jann Hook asked about the commingling of the convenience fees and the membership dues, and the categorization of the fee for the Stripe payments. The reports were approved contingent upon resolution of these questions.

Christa Ball reported on preparations for the Octoberfest and presale of further EPPI branded items at Ment Apparel. Items include hats, sweatshirts, and short and long-sleeved t-shirts. Octoberfest is on October 15 from 4-6 pm. Flyers are available and distribution is requested around October 1. Christa asked some preliminary questions about the Christmas party, including whether or not to include kids and Santa, location, refreshments, etc. The general consensus appeared to be to include kids if it was at the gazebo and not if it was at a home. Shakespeare at the Park was suggested as a possible location.

Matt Goad segued to communications by asking about the first emailed issue of the Eppilog, to be emailed to those for whom we have email addresses and snail mail to others. This is scheduled to begin with the next issue. Petra said the newsletter would be ready to go to print on September 29 and it would be ready a few days after that. The next issue will include items on the July 4 party, security, the passing of Dick Hood, streetlights, gardening and yards of the month, etc.

Circling back to the email/snail mail question, there was discussion of doing both for the October issue, and transitioning to email for future issues.

Wendy Shreffler reported on social media. The committee will meet early next week to work on the Octoberfest promotion and map out content through the end of December. Any further input would be most welcome.

Andrea Monachella was not present to report on historic preservation but Lindsey will ask her to convene a meeting. Several members expressed interest in serving on the committee.

The security corporation will be meeting on Tuesday and has invited any interested members of the board to attend. Jann and Petra are planning to attend.

Jessica Johnson reported on parks and landscaping. Corey Phillips reported on the shade structure project. The grant from the OKC Community Foundation requires that a licensed general contractor be used. The grant of \$8,000 will not go as far as we had hoped based on preliminary bids. We will also have to go through the historic preservation process and may need to do additional fundraising. Lindsey will go back to OCCF to see if the money could be repurposed if we are not able to come up with a workable plan within the existing grant amount. November 3 is the original deadline for the midpoint of the project.

The issue of herbicide spraying in the park was broached. Lindsey knows someone who has volunteered to provide further information on the costs and benefits of spraying, possibly at a meeting to which the full neighborhood would be invited. The online poll did not result in a majority on either side of the issue so hopefully the educational information will provide further insight.

Jann reported on memberships, which increased after the July 4 party, but may be down for the full year. We are 25-26 memberships short of making the dues budget but donations have exceeded the budgeted amount. Jann will write up a pitch for the newsletter and social media.

Linda Clement reported on streetlights. Several GFIs need to be replaced and at least one is missing. She is still working on estimates but it looks as if the cost will exceed our budget.

Matt reported on lightpost signs, which are estimated to cost \$330 but which Matt thinks could be discounted to around \$250. We have six of these. The material would be aluminum and be double-sided. The cost of cast metal and/or concrete posts would be considerably more expensive.

Jann asked about an estimate from Cityscape Landscaping which was included with the Treasurer's report, which was not requested and has not been budgeted for.

Lindsey will resend the Doodle poll for the October and November meeting dates.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 pm.