

Minutes for FANS Board Meeting, July 5, 2017

Location: home of Leslie and Lee (aka. Wild Hog) Hopkins, 1211 S. Williams St.

- I. Call to Order - 7:00 PM
- II. Present: T. McHugh, J. Lammens, S. John, L. Hopkins, D. Matthews
- III. Approval of Minutes of June 8, 2017 board meeting
- IV. Treasurer's Report - None
- V. Old Business:
 - A. Garden Help: Lee was approached by Rachel to help weed the gardens. ACTION: Lee will reach out on NextDoor for volunteers.
 - B. Bicycle repair station: The unit has been received by the Maintenance Department and is waiting for completion of the Loop Road marking project for installation.
 - C. Photo contest: The booth at July 4 event got a lot of interest but Cindy raised the question of continuing as call for volunteers to help man the booth has gone unanswered. It's estimated that between 1000-1500 people came to the event. A post-mortem is planned by the Sponsors to consider possible alternate sponsors/facilitators. The reception to recognize the winners is scheduled for 7/20
 - D. City Ditch Event, Aug. 12, 10 a.m. Tim has a conflict with INC meeting so is unable to attend. Dave announced that the agenda will be circulated.
 - E. Mulch Madness #2 on June 22 went well and 74 trees were mulched. Herb was recognized as a "mulching machine". There are still more trees to be done.
 - F. Adopt-a-tree program: No report.
 - G. Loop Road problems: Complaints have been made by residents that live on East side of University to the Mayor's office about actual markings done on the road. The belief is that the public's input wasn't considered in the final width of the pedestrian portion and the wheeled portion of the road. Dave, as a member of the Committee, will be going to the Mayor to discuss that there has been a breach of the agreement between those giving input and what has been completed to date. A motion made to ask the City and P&R to evaluate it and fix the areas where the needs of some of the users (i.e. pedestrians') have been overlooked. Paul Kashmann will be talking to the Mayor but expects that the citizens' groups to take the lead. Cindy will write a resolution for distribution to the Board for input and will coordinate response from FANS with other public groups.
 - H. Garden Kiosks: Still waiting on completion of the Loop Road marking project.
 - I. Tree soil analysis: Sonia reported that there is no expectation for data until the Fall. Samples of the linden tree that was removed today will be sent for analysis.
 - J. Tree master plan: Cindy announced that there is no plan.
 - K. Endlsey memorial bench dedication - Was completed 7/4/17.

- L. Cherry trees planted near Lily Pond recently as part of a cultural exchange between the Community College of Denver and SGI: Cindy has been unable to find the agreement and talked to both Paul Kashmann and Scott Gilmore who both like the trees. She asked that Paul talk to the benefactor about the donation's lack of diversity in the trees planted and their noncompliance with the Master Tree Plan. For the time being, it appears the trees will be left in place in spite of this.

VII. New Business:

- A. Appreciation of VOC for use of projector and meeting space: No record can be found of payment for either and the Board would like to show appreciation beyond providing a calendar. ACTION: Tim will reach out to the Ann Baker Easley at the VOC to see if we can buy the staff lunch.
- B. Status of EZ 990 federal tax form. Cindy is helping Herb with re-registering.
- C. Loose Dogs: Lee raised the question whether there's enough monitoring of dogs off leash during the early mornings. ACTION: Tim will bring this up to the Jessica Long, Head Ranger.
- D. Park Stewardship Program and Stewardship Dinner **DATE?**– Cindy explained that this is a City wide program facilitated by Tina Meyers, Volunteer Coordinator. ACTION: Janet will get contact volunteers vests for volunteers, stewardship dinner
- E. Metro Denver PPAN: This is a bee pollinator organization that is having a meeting about beekeeping in the City. Tim has passed the information on to the different neighborhood associations.
- F. Board member recruitment: Tim will reach out to Patrick Dolan who expressed an interest in being a board member. We particularly need young people so may have to consider starting a Twitter account but there were no volunteers to do this at this time.