

WNA December 2012 Meeting  
December 13th, 2012

## **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

Present: Bob Thomas, Jon Whitcomb, Don Vallejo, Brad Brauer, Andrea Meury, Greg Corns, Patrice Wappel, Marilyn Rendon, Phil Flemming, Jason Bliss, Leslie Stackpole

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Bob Thomas made a motion for the approval of the November's Minutes be approved as present. Phil Fleming second the motion with the board unanimously approving.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Leslie present the financial statement for the Willo Neighborhood from November 2012. Leslie reported the neighborhood will have to move 30K from the association Edwards Jones account to our regular bank account. The monies will be use to cover the cost of the Home Tour expenses. Money earned from the Home Tour will be returned to the account. Jason made a motion to approve the financial statement presented by Leslie, with Bob seconding the motion. The board unanimously passed the motion.

### **WEB SITE**

A request for proposal will be posted on the wed site for search of a new master.

### **BUMP-OUTS**

Brad reported the Chinese Pinchots were planted in the bump-outs are doing well. They all appeared to be getting enough water and surviving The water systems was up-graded and is in good working order. Greg Corns reported, ground cover will also be planted in the near future.

Landmarks that will potentially will be placed in the bump-out will be talked about in the next neighborhood meeting.

Richard Gayer inquired where was the "big plant" on the island at 3rd/Edgemount. Greg related it was a weed and removed. Richard was also concerned he could not find information on the website about the landmarks. Richard was advised there was nothing on the website concerning the landmarks. The project is still in the planning phase and will presented to the neighborhood, using the Inside Willo, Web Site and neighborhood meetings when available. Willo neighborhood residents will be able to express their concerns on the project during the monthly meetings.

### **HOME TOUR**

Andrea, Home Tour Committee Co-Chair reported the 25th Annual Home Tour Sunday February the 10th is well under way. The Twilight Tour will be held the Saturday prior to the event, with only 500 tickets being sold. The Twilight Tour will not be advertised and is mainly for the residents of the neighborhood. 14 homes are on the tour and the vendor's spots are filling up for the street fair.

T-shirts will be pre-order only. Due to the cost and loss of monies on the shirts, residents will be only be able to order the shirts on line. Look on the web site for more information.

### **BLOCK WATCH**

Jon Whitcomb, Block Watch Neighborhood Chairman, reported he held numerous block watch meeting with Mac Gruff (Patrice) present and passed out alley number to those that attended. Due to the success of the meeting, Jon decided he would hold more meeting in the near further.

Coffee with the Cop's will be held January 2nd at Maize's on Central Avenue at 8 a.m.

Jon attended the Mid-Town Museum Block Watch committee meeting last month.

### **COMMUNITY ACTION OFFICER**

Officer Ben Harris, CAO introduced Commander Glen Gardner of the Mountain View Police Precinct. Commander presented the neighborhood a certificate of appreciation for the part we took in making the Precinct's Family Fun Day a success. Brad accepted the certificate on behalf of the neighborhood.

Ben reported the city's solicitation ordinance has changed. No solicitation after 7p.m. Ben reminded residents if you don't want any solicitation at all please get a sign.

Passed on some holiday safety tips while shopping. Be mindful of your surrounding area and don't leave packages in your car. Report any suspicious activities you see in the neighborhood to the police.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **- MAYORS'S NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL/METROPOLITAN LOFTS, 635 W THOMAS**

Bob reported the Mayor's Neighborhood Committee meeting for December was postpone until January 2013.

Bob has been emailing the Mayor's office with concerns from the neighborhood in reference to the parking for the Lofts. The Mayor's office will look at what was allowed when the original permits from the city were issued. More on this issue at a later meeting.

Bob, also urged residence if they are concerned with the Loft on Thomas Av, contact the Mayor's office or your Councilman's office, Tom Simplot, or Bob.

#### **- KLEANSTREETS**

Patrice reported she was busy cleaning the streets of Willo the past weekend. Patrice would like some additional is sprucing up the neighborhood.

#### **-LUMINARIES**

Don reported all the streets are covered with volunteers this year. Only two nights will be lit during this years event.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- NONE

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- ELECTIONS

Elections will be held in March 2013 for the Board positions. Gene Nance will be chairing the elections committee. Any one interested in running for the 2013-2015 board needs to submit their intention to Gene. The nominations will be posted in the February addition of the Inside Willo.

Richard Gayer did announce during the open meeting, he would like to donate \$2,500 dollars to any non-gay candidate who would like to run for president.

- 3rd/5th AVENUES

Extensive research concerning 3rd and 5th Avenues bike lanes, pedestrian walkways and street marking was conducted by Dick Stats of Coronado Street. Dick's has identified numerous ways to make the streets better and safer and believes a committee needs to be created concurring these matters. The Board recommended, due to the upcoming Home Tour and Elections, a committee assigned to this matter will not take place until the new board is in place.

- CITYSCAPE

Cityscape has invited the residents of Willo to come and enjoy the skating rink during the holiday season. Cityscape is located on Central Avenue and 1st Street.

**- CITIZENS FOR PHOENIX**

Niel Haddad newly elected chairperson, along with Phoenix Law Enforcement Association are teaming together on February 28th from 11am to 2pm, for a State Neighborhood Legislative Day. Bob Thomas encourages all interested residents of Willo to attend. For further information refer to the web site.

**- OPTING IN**

Brad reminded all residents opt in with forms available on the web site.

**- MEETING ADJOURN**

Bob made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Andrea seconding the motion.

Meeting adjourned.

**NOT ACCEPTED**