WHPA January 14, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes

Attendees—Margaret Smith, Julie Tozier, Todd Wilson, Ann Nixon, Betty James, David Evans. Thanks, Margaret, for hosting.

Treasurer's Report: 2024 Year End

- Revenue = \$28,200
- Expenses = \$24,331
- Revenue over Expenses = \$3,869
- Accounts Receivable: 25 outstanding for a total of \$7,020 (8 at one year, 17 at multiple years)
- Bank Balance = \$30,226
- Budget adjustments were made for costs to add one more newsletter per year, as well as for a family event.

2025 Budget presented by Margaret and approved

New Officer: Secretary needed

Annual Meeting:

- Sunday, April 27 at Pembroke High School
- Proposed Speaker -Kate Marshall to share plaza redevelopment plans and community engagement strategies.

Capital maintenance - Fountain Renovation Project

 Ann is spearheading this Fountain beautification project. The proposed cost of \$850 is for 60 square feet of tile work to be installed on the inner wall around the Fountain, with \$540 for materials. The response from the Board was very positive.

Newsletters:

- Increase from 2 to 3 per year. Julie said this was definitely doable.
- The next one is projected to be completed March 17, 2025. Board members should share topic ideas and photos with Julie. Idea input will also be generated through the WPHA Facebook Page.

First Friday: Margaret shared her research on new signs to advertise prior to each First Friday event.

 The cost for 10 signs is \$335. Board members will place the signs around the neighborhood to advertise each First Friday, and retrieve them following each First Friday. Everyone agreed that First Friday Events have been very successful and that they should continue. Family event: Funds were put in the budget for a family event this year. Two ideas were discussed

- Have an end of the school year event for families in the Park.
- Determine feasibility of closing Bell Street between 48th Street and 50th Street for a Family Friendly Trick or Treat event. This would require approval by Bell residents, and Margaret and David said they would canvass those residents if that is the event we choose.

Removing the Fountain Lights

The lights around the Fountain are beautiful, and it was decided they should stay
up for the time being. Margaret suggested that when the weather is better, a date
will be set to take them down. Board members can help in this effort when the
time is determined

Relocation of Ed Holland marker

 There is a marker commemorating Ed Holland in the Fountain area. Ed Holland's son wants to move the marker at his own expense. Margaret and Ann are working with him to determine a feasible area around the Fountain for the marker.

Facebook-Julie reported that WPHA Facebook is working just like it should, sharing HOA information and ideas with our members. Many residents are participating.

Possible Logo Change—Julie has been researching potential designs for an updated Fountain logo. Kate Hayes has also expressed interest in submitting design options.

Community Engagement and Communication Discussion about managing the Facebook group and database of residents: Members reviewed procedures for approving new members and discussed how to handle requests from former residents and renters.

Neighborhood leaf collection: This discussion was tabled until more research can be done concerning feasibility

Action Items:

- Margaret will contact David Belpedio about taking down the holiday lights
- Julie will coordinate with Patty Steele about newsletter deadlines and content submission
- Finalize logo design options

- Todd will contact David Belpedio about getting the storage spools for the Christmas lights
- Plan for First Friday event logistics and signage
- Schedule community cleanup event for spring

Next Meetings:

- February 11: 6:00 pm—Location—David Evans' house, 4900 Bell Street
- Future meeting dates: March 11, April 22, May 13, June 10, (July 8 if needed), August 12, September 9, October 14, November 11, December 9 (par-tay)