

# Westwood Park Homeowners Association July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes

**Attendees:** Margaret Smith, Ann Nixon, Dave Evans, Julie Tozier, Betty James, Mindy Upshaw, and Todd Wilson

### **Treasurer's Report for June:**

YTD Revenue: \$ 26,961YTD Expenses: \$ 10,582

• YTD Revenue over Expenses: \$ 16,379

• June Expenses: - \$4,104. Major expenses were:

o Expense 1 - \$1,035 Insurance

• Expense 2 - \$1,695 Fountain maintenance & repair

Expense 3 - \$429 for six First Friday at the Fountain signs

#### Since the last Board Meeting:

- Dumpster Day Review
  - October improvements to consider:
    - Validate all who participate by a "check-in" sheet ensuring those participating are residents in the HOA.
    - Create a sign stating that "Dumpster Day is your HOA dues at work"
- Continue to address the safety concerns of "high risk" intersections in the neighborhood
  - o Margaret and Julie would visit the residents impacted and discuss possible solutions.
- Possible PIAC for repair to curbs and walks on either side of the bridge over Ward Parkway
  - Margaret would begin the process of submitting a proposal to the City
    - Paperwork due August 30<sup>th</sup>
    - Signatures of residents will be requested at the Annual Picnic, September 13<sup>th</sup>
    - Petition must be filed by September 30<sup>th</sup>
    - Notification by the City of approving the PIAC will happen April 2026
    - If approved, repairs would take place in 2027

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- First Friday at the Fountain: August 1<sup>st</sup>, 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm Margaret will host
  - o Reminder to post signs on Wednesday evenings prior to the Friday of the event
- Annual Picnic: September 13<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
  - Julie to review the current post card, see what changes are necessary to fit the needs of this year's picnic
  - Post Cards to Patty Steele by August 11 for printing and mailing
  - Margaret will ask Marita Wesely to create flower arrangements again this year
  - Margaret will ask Aryn Roth and Richard Farnan to post signs in the park and on the Shelter/Pavilion reserving the space for the event
  - Finalize picnic plans at next HOA meeting



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- Second edition of the WPHA newsletter Julie Tozier will begin development
  - Determine next publication date: Patty Steele is out of office August 1 4 and August 18-29.
  - Add new neighbors
  - o Include pictures from Dumpster Day
  - 4<sup>th</sup> of July First Friday pictures
  - A note of thanks to the residents at 49<sup>th</sup> and Mercier for taking great care of the neighborhood marker for Westwood Park in their yard – include Jeff Wissinger and Martha Negley too?
  - KC MO 6<sup>th</sup> District information regarding the 6<sup>th</sup> District, please sign up for their email newsletter by going to <a href="https://share.google/vLy81X82kGz8n6gGC">https://share.google/vLy81X82kGz8n6gGC</a>. Our councilmembers are Jonathan Ducan (6<sup>th</sup> District) and Andrea Bough (6<sup>th</sup> District at Large)
  - Vision Zero Troost Corridor Improvements take the survey:
     https://www.kcmo.gov/Home/Components/FacilityDirectory/FacilityDirectory/347/188
     1. Your feedback is needed to make the Troost corridor safer! Kansas City is evaluating transportation conditions along Troost Avenue between 55th Street and 63rd Street. Your input will help shape future improvements, focusing on safer intersections, improved pedestrian walkways, updated traffic signals, and more!
  - FIFA 2026 Updates encourage residents to sign up for opportunities: https://kansascityfwc26.com/business-opportunities/
  - For the 2026 FIFA event, Kansas City short-term rentals (STR) Kansas City may loosen restrictions on STRs, no public announcement has been made yet
- Dumpster Day: October 25<sup>th</sup>, Saturday
  - o Dumpsters are reserved and scrap metal man has been notified
  - O How do we get more of the community or more of the board involved?
    - Create two shifts for the day of the event: 1<sup>st</sup> shift from event start to 10:30 then 2<sup>nd</sup> shift from 10:30 till 12:00 or when dumpsters are full
    - Create a signup sheet for "shifts" through Facebook
    - May also have a signup sheet for "shifts" at the Annual Picnic
- Family Halloween event development:
  - Going to put this one on the shelf for now may look at 2026 for opportunities

### **Public Spaces:**

- Update on the Fountain at 50<sup>th</sup> and Ward Parkway tile work pending
- Mindy volunteered to take care of the Westwood Park marker at 50<sup>th</sup> Street and State Line
- Ann and Todd to work on the Fountain lights, get them working correctly Ann will reach out to schedule some time with the company that installed the lights



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#### Facebook:

- Post on Facebook when the next Electronics Disposal will happen for Kansas City
  - WPHOA will monitor Midwest Recycling Center (MRC) for future electronic recycling events and post to Facebook. The residents of Kansas City, Missouri may recycle electronics at Midwest Recycling Center. Dozens of items such as computers, printers, VCRs, phones, and washing machines are free to recycle. Other items, such as flat screen TVs, require a fee. All fees are subject to change. For more details about pricing, call 1-855-MRC-RECYCLE. Contact MRC for pricing details, hours, location and more.
- 2025 Fall KC MO curbside leaf & brush pickup schedule not yet posted on city website: https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/trash/leafandbrush

### Other:

- Upcoming Plaza District Council Events are:
  - o Coffee Connection is July 30th, at Made in KC Marketplace, 8:30 am to 9:30 am.
  - Cocktail Connections is August 27<sup>th</sup>, at Made in KC Marketplace Café, 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm.
  - Please register in advance through: <a href="https://plazakc.org/events/">https://plazakc.org/events/</a>
- Plaza Art Fair: September 19<sup>th</sup> through September 21<sup>st</sup>, Friday through Sunday
- West Plaza Music and Art in the Park: September 20<sup>th</sup>

### **Next Meetings:**

- August 12<sup>th</sup>, host Dave Evans, 4900 Bell Street
- September 9<sup>th</sup>, host Mindy Upshaw, 1615 W 50<sup>th</sup> Street
- October 14<sup>th</sup>, determine host
- November 11<sup>th</sup>, determine host
- December 9<sup>th</sup>, Volunteer Party, host Julie Tozier, 1300 W 50<sup>th</sup> Terrace