



**Indian Woods Community Association
Community Meeting
Tuesday – March 15, 2011 – 7:00 PM – Edgebrook VRC**

I. President Walsh Called the Meeting to Order

II. Roll Call

Board Members

Present: Donald W. Walsh

Joyce Hutchinson

Jonathan Sladek

Wayne Pryzby

Jim Oehler

Michael C. Kendall

Absent: Tom Gillespie

Patrick J. McCann

III. Meeting Minutes Reported

- a. Secretary Sladek read 1-18-2011 meeting minutes. Motion to approve minutes by JOe Kelly. George H seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

IV. President's Report:

- a. Winter newsletter distributed. Also available online.
- b. Moher's Event was a big event - 22 adults and 16 children participated.
- c. 2011 Membership forms were distributed to the community.
- d. Snow plowing assessment was a necessity due to the February snow.
- e. Lockwood Ave gate
- f. Ray Hilstrom addresses the group and thanks the entire neighborhood for the support he received after his house fire.
- g. Annual report presented. Discussed future plans:
 - i. Businesses on Central appear to be closing - IWCA to discuss with Alderman.
 - ii. 2011 goal: work with CTA to fix fence between Ardmore homes and bus parking lot.
 - iii. The board will be looking for new ideas for fundraising for the association.
 - iv. State Senator Mulroe has been invited to speak at an upcoming meeting.

V. Treasurer's Report

- a. Bank balance: \$1431.79
- b. \$900 paid to snow plow contractor. \$900 balance remaining.
- c. Snowplowing budget exceeded, and therefore a snowplow assessment was imposed.
- d. Motion to approve minutes by Patrick McCann. Wayne Pryzby seconded the motion. Treasurer's report approved.

VI. New Business

- a. Fundraising ideas requested from group:
 - i. Ray suggested printing Tshirts or Caps with IWCA logos.

- ii. Joe Kelly stated that he has some ideas for ways the association can raise funds. This will be discussed further with the board.
- b.
- c. Homes in foreclosure - please let the board know if your neighbor is foreclosing.
 - i. vacant homes are in danger of becoming vandalized - please call police if you notice something odd, such as construction vehicles at the home. These homes are easy targets for vandals to come in and steal wiring and plumbing, etc.
- d. Speed Bumps - traffic is moving to fast down Indian.
- e. Lockwood entrance to Edgebrook Glen discussed. Matt asked for style of pedestrian gate to be installed. Pres Walsh to discuss with Board and CA Development.

VII. 45th Ward Alderman Candidates invited to attend

- a. John Arena discusses his campaign with the group.
- b. John Garrido discusses his campaign with the group.
- c. Candidates answer questions from the group:
 - i. How would they help develop or stimulate the businesses along Central?
 - ii. How do you address inappropriate activities in the Forest Preserve?
 - iii. What is your stance on restoration efforts in the Forest Preserve?
 - iv. What are your views on education? public vs public charter.
 - v. Would you support opening a new Charter school in our Ward?
 - vi. Where is our ward in the priority list for blue bin recycling?
 - vii. How do we improve city services with projected budget cuts?
 - viii. What is your stance on distribution of police services in the city?
 - ix. What is your stance on hiring in the police department?
 - x. Section 8 housing near Central and Elston is having a negative effect on the community. How did Section 8 housing get established. How can we combat the negative impact?
 - xi. Can we streamline the City approval process to get small business started?
 - xii. What is your opinion on cutting the number of wards in the City by half?
 - xiii. Is TIF (tax increment financing) a positive or negative for the Ward?
 - xiv. What is your opinion about the development progress at 6 corners?
 - xv. How would our Ward work with the airport noise issues?
 - xvi. Property assessments have increased taxes in our areas. How would you address this issue?
 - xvii. What is your stance on term limits? Would you self impose a term limit on yourself?
- d. Candidates give closing remarks.

VIII. Next General Membership Meetings per By-Laws:

- a. June 21, 2011

IX. Adjourn 8:00 PM

Respectfully submitted:

(s) Secretary Jonathan Sladek

Jonathan Sladek – IWCA Secretary

SUBMITTED: March 15, 2011

APPROVED: June 21, 2011