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Meeting: Wednesday, December 13, 2023, Polk County Senior Center/Zoom, 6:30pm

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT
Courtney Ackerson	•		Shannon Coryell		•
James Anthofer	•		Kristina Johnson	•	
Colin Ashwood	•		Eddie Robinson, Jr.		
Ken Auge	•		Jason Stuyvesant	•	
Lori Calhoun	•		Annelise Tarnowski		•
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6:39 pm - Board Business

- Roll Call Quorum met
 - Additional attendees: Drake students Ryan Admunson, Allison Clare, and Eli Benson.
 Potential new board members, Ryan Rivera and Nick Holmberg. Josh Raleigh and Ron
 Gerdner from the City of Des Moines. Chris Coleman, city council. Kevin Patrick,
 community member. Sheanah Wright, property manager and DNA member. Mark
 McKinney.
- Welcome Elected Officials Chris Coleman, city council
- Review and Approve Agenda
 - Motion to approve agenda for tonight with flexibility. Vote motioned, seconded | passed
- Old Business
 - Review of March Financial Activities Lori
 - Approve financial report (emailed to board, located on the drive)
 - Discussion: Lori presented. We have not met goals for recruiting membership or business membership, but no major expenses or concerns. No additional discussion from the board.
 - Motion to approve financial report. Vote motioned, seconded | passed
 - Membership: No new business memberships. No meeting since last month.
 - Events: No new information.
 - o Communications: Facebook and Instagram updates have been posted.

- New emails send by Courtney, team will look at sending these routinely to highlight the meeting content.
- Membership promotional cards were distributed on the tables and will be posted in public places promoting membership.

Invest DSM update:

We have completed and are for sale: 3102 Cottage Grove Ave; 1074 31st St; 1124 26th St

This spring completed projects and projects for sale: 1086 25th St 3104 Cottage Grove Ave; 3114 Cottage Grove Ave

2024 will bring several more projects to market through our single-family developer program including projects from Q-Enterprises on 24th St and Kingman Blvd, Rally Cap Properties on Kingman Blvd and Cottage Grove Ave, and DRJ Investments on School St.

We are also excited to continue working in the neighborhood through our Homeowner Renovation Program, Rental Rehab Program and, Commercial Grant Program. The expansion past 35th St, to the west at 42nd St has been going well and has kept our staff busy through the end of this year!

New Business

- O Josh Raleigh (Neighborhood Inspector | Neighborhood Services) and Ron Gerdner from the City of Des Moines - Neighborhood Services rotated all neighborhood inspectors in the beginning of December 2023. Josh's new territory boundaries will cover from I-235 to Franklin Ave (south to north) and 31st Street to 42nd Street (east to west). Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions or concerns or if there is any specific information or data needed for your neighborhood meetings.
- Mark McKinney, officer liaison from DMPD Update on neighborhood safety.
 Presentation on Law Enforcement Response Map (LERP).
 - Reviewed how to use the website and new map tracking
 - Discussed the recent foot chase a few weeks ago as well as the car accidents in the neighborhood.
 - 777 trips to the neighborhood over the past month.
- Charles Zander Presentation on Parks and Rec updates (Was not present, so cancelled)
- Drake Report Update Ryan Arnold was not present, so student members filled in. Finals week ends this week. They are excited to be done. The upcoming president debate was just announced at the Sheslow Auditorium in January.
- Community members no comments/concerns
- Board Elections a printed candidate slate was presented to the membership. Nick Holmberg and Ryan Rivera introduced themselves. The printed material was reviewed and ballots were distributed.

- Returning candidates voted in were: Analise Tarnowski, Colin Ashwood, Lori Calhoun, and Ken Auge
- New candidates voted in were: Nick Holmberg, Ryan Rivera, and Spencer Richardson-Jones.
- o Potluck was enjoyed.

Next meeting will be a strategic planning meeting for the board from 5-9 location TBD. Meeting Adjourned 8:52pm