

Minutes Neighborhood Advisory Commission Outreach Committee Meeting Date: Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2008

Minutes of the Neighborhood Advisory Commission Outreach Committee September 23, 2008, 6:00 p.m. held at the Tempe Library Connections Cafe

(MEMBERS) Present: Woody Wilson, Mike Wasko, Don Calender, Lisa Roach

(MEMBERS) Absent: Tom Catlaw

City Staff Present: none

Guests Present: Sasha Malekooti, ASU; Carmen Vicatali, ASU

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Meeting started 6:p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – Elect Committee Chair

A motion was made to elect Woody Wilson chair was made by Don Calender and seconded by Lisa Roach. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 3 – Set goals for coming year

1. Strengthen and grow Neighborhood Leadership Workshop and find sponsor.
2. Work with COT and human service agencies to organize system to help infirmed and older Tempe residents with minor yard work/code violation corrections. Tentative name: Friends of Neighborhoods
3. Look for opportunities to promote Neighborhood Services within the community.

Agenda Item 4 – Begin organization for Neighborhood Leadership Workshop & Neighbor of the Year Awards

1. Possible Speakers for 2009 Neighborhood Leadership Workshop

A. Neighborhood advocate and historic preservationist, Donovan D. Rypkema is suggested by Commissioner Wilson. Mr. Rypkema is a well-known author and lecturer on the value of building, preserving and promoting community. It is possible that he can be booked for two events in Tempe; one paid, one non-paid. Depending on when the Neighborhood Workshop is scheduled, another parallel event can be booked with the Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation and will provide Rypkema with an honorarium and transportation. Mr. Rypkema is available the weekend of April 18.

B. Commissioner Wasko suggests Richard Florida, author, lecturer and professor at George Mason University. Florida is the author of the best-selling book, "The Creative Class" and is an expert on how to foster and motivate people and communities to think creatively to solve problems.

C. Commissioner Wasko suggests Avenue Communities' Ken Losch as a speaker.

2. Possible Sponsors to approach for support of the Neighborhood Leadership Workshop. Amount to be asked for will be \$2000.

- A. SRP
- B. DMB/Centerpoint on Mill
- C. Tempe Marketplace
- D. SunCor
- E. Changing Hands Bookstore

3. Suggested topics for NLW.

- A. Green Neighborhoods/Community sustainability/solar transitions in HOAs.
- B. Update on Public Transportation/Light Rail/Orbit Routes
- C. Tempe Parks/Getting the most from our parks/ The Best Park System in Arizona
- D. The New Tempe – A Cultural Destination for All
- E. Tempe Steps Up – An overview of Human Services in Tempe (TCC)

Adjourn: 6:55 p.m.

Prepared by: Woody Wilson