BHNA BOARD MEETING
ZOOM
Monday September 18, 2023

1. **The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm**

2. **Board Members (Put X in appropriate column)**

	In Attendance:	Absent:
1. Eliza Hawkins	x	
2. Casey McLaughlin	x	
3. Mary Kay Falconer		x excused
4. Mike Brezin		x excused
5. Donna Legare		x excused
6. Jim Ward	x	
7. Tom Waits		x excused
8. Claire Cotton-Watkins	x	
9. Margie McInnes		x excused
10. Tom Schulte	x	
11. Jenn Winegardner	x	
12. Mario Taylor	x	
13. Nancy Leiva-Krause	x	
14. Leah Pierce		X excused
15. Rob Pierce	X	
16. Courtney Doker		X excused

Member in attendance: Atherton Sorrenti

3. **MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING APPROVED DATED:** May 15, 2023
   Motion by Tom Schulte to approve, Seconded by Jim Ward.
   Motion passed: unanimously approved.

4. **FINANCIAL UPDATE:** Discussion: Treasurer's report circulated; budget update with balance.

5. **BOARD ELECTIONS:** Motion by Tom Shulte to approve slate of officers for upcoming elections, Seconded by Mario. Motion passed: unanimously approved.

   Eliza Hawkins, President
   Jim Ward, Vice President
   Tom Schulte, Treasurer
   Jennifer Winegardner, Secretary

   Directors:

Mike Brezin	Casey McLaughlin
Claire Cotton-Watkins	Margie McInnes
Courtney Doker	Leah Pierce

Mary Kay Falconer	Rob Pierce
Donna Legare	Mario Taylor
Nancy Leiva-Krause	Tom Waits

6. **COMMUNICATIONS:** Discussion about Facebook and Mailchimp communications. Further discussion about mailed vs emailed newsletters and impact on budget. Agreed to create a committee to examine and recommend a process for migrating written and mailed newsletters to email. Committee will be lead by Jim Ward, and committee members will be Tom, Claire, Nancy, Jennifer, and Atherton.

7. **EVENTS:**

   Fall Festival: volunteers needed, Neighborhood Grant status, raffle baskets, tables and chairs. Motion by Claire to approve amended budget, Seconded by Mario. Motion passed: unanimously approved.

   Food Trucks: Scheduled for Thursday 9/19, just a few days after Fall Fest. Discussion about whether to move the date – no action taken. Food trucks will remain on schedule for 10/19.

8. **PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS:**

   Discussion about lack of authority to enforce city code and use of Digitally to report violations.
   Empty Lot on Lee: The lot has been cleaned up.
   Lot on Belleauwood: Discussion regarding overgrown lawn.

   Power Pole at Harriman Circle: Mario lead discussion about financial support for installation of a new power pole and has plans to raise sufficient funds. He hopes the budget will be sufficient for the new pole by spring.

9. **CHARITY PURPOSE STATUS WITH IRS:** Discussion about pros and cons of applying for 501(c)(3) tax exempt status with IRS. Discussion will continue at a later date.

10. **ANNUAL MEETING:** Discussion about scheduling annual membership meeting via Zoom.

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:25 pm.