## **Community Connections Committee**

30 August 2021 12:10PM

In attendance: In attendance: Kathy Orton, Cheryl Crowe, Melaney

Ditler, Hans Albing

Icebreaker: Watercolors

Brooklyn Cleanup Saturday Sep 25 9-1

Melaney will be assigning jobs at the Board meeting.

Need Several Dumpster Divers- They will help unload cars, load the dumpsters.

2- people for estimating the cost of the load, and taking the Cash.

1- Rummage Sale Staffer (Cheryl Crowe)

Need someone to take leftovers to goodwill

Need a Recycler person

Items to be recycled-Batteries, Styrofoam, and metal Need drivers that can pick up items from people who have no car to transport stuff.

FOBP will hold a bottle drop

Discussion of proposal from ESJ committee to hold a coloring contest and asking all 3 committees to participate. They are asking the BAC to provide \$250 for cash prizes.

Discussion: ESJ do it on their own and possibly pitch in to provide a prize.

They should track engagement and then in the future when they can prove engagement they re submit the idea to the Board.

Save the idea for the Social next year.

Decided to suggest that the ESJ do it on their own and track

engagement and then in the future when they can prove engagement they re submit the idea to the Board.

Beautification Project:

The committee discussed planting fall bulbs. Discussed where we might be able to plant them.

Suggestions:

9th street overpass

Slope below the community garden

CCC is not sure who owns the slope down from the garden, resolved to speak to Barbara from the community garden. (Update- It is ODOT property, and ODOT sprays herbicide to curtail lesser celendandine. - so no bulbs there.)

We decided to start identifying businesses and homeowners along major streets in Brooklyn and organize a bulb planting, if not this year, next year. We also suggested possibly planting bulbs along with the memorial tree for Don Stephens.

Discussion of Memorial Tree for Don Stephens on the parklet on 9th at Cora, across the street from Don's home, and actually the site of where the house was before ODOT relocated it to where it stands now at 908 SE Cora Ave. Cheryl has reached out to ODOT to get approval to plant a tree where a tree was lost last year to vandalism. Additionally she is reaching out to Friends of Trees to identify a native tree for that site, and see if they can help us plant the tree. She is also getting a back up bid from a Brooklyn-based landscape company.

There was also discussion about where Kathy is on organizing the historical info. Also discussion on how we could get the info scanned in, then uploaded to the cloud so we can reduce the amount of items we are keeping and storing. - The BAC should decide how we can get the

info scanned and identify who can volunteer some time to scan. Melaney said if someone could help her get her computer set-up to scan she could do some scanning of the things that fit her sized scanner. Hopefully someone on the board can get that set up so that process can get underway.

Meeting adjourned.

## Deliverables:

Cheryl- Identify a tree for the memorial, get pricing on tree and installation, and secure permission from ODOT to plant a tree.

Melaney- Find out if bulbs can be planted at the 9th street overpass.