

Douglas Acres neighborhood Association

General Meeting

January 10, 2006

Stave's Church

Treasurer's report: \$699.34 with outstanding bills of \$233.14 to DWX (for website) and approximately \$330 to Sprint for newsletter production.

Guest Speakers:

Teva Dawson, Des Moines Parks, presented a program that would provide free kitchen gardens to neighborhood residents. The neighborhood association would help canvass residents to find those interested in having a kitchen garden. New gardeners would be matched with existing gardeners. Des Moines Parks would deliver and construct a 4 ft by 8 ft wooden frame in April, fill with soil, and provide seed and gardening training.

Linda Kinman and Chris Jones presented data on Polk County water quality, particularly in the Four Mile Creek watershed. They also talked about what is currently being done to improve the water quality of Four Mile Creek.

Linda Westergaard attended the Des Moines School Board meeting and gave a report.

Election of officers and steering committee:

The slate of officers presented. A motion was made by Bev Baker and seconded by Mary Greider to reelect the current slate. This motion was unanimously approved. These included:

Chairperson	Linda Westergaard
Vice Chairperson	Joe Youngwirth
Secretary	Linda Northhouse
Treasurer	Mary Whisenand

Steering Committee members are:

Phyllis Kellogg
Betty and Tony Short
Margaret Heger
Skip Moore

New Business:

*Betty Short moved and Marjorie White seconded paying the \$25 membership fee to Northeast Neighbors. Motion carried.

*Mary Greider moved and Betty Short seconded donating \$100 to Stave's Church in appreciation for providing a DANA meeting place this past year.

*The calendar for 2006 was presented and accepted.

The next meeting will be March 14, 2006

The meeting was adjourned and cheesecake, cookies and coffee were served.

Respectfully submitted
Phyllis Kellogg

Approved

Linda Westergaard, Chairman