

COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS

7:00 P.M. May 18, 2005,
Hooker Room Bloomington City Hall Building
AGENDA

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes from April 20, 2004
2. Treasurer's Report – Carol Walter
 - a. Nomination of Catherine Stafford for Treasurer and voting.
3. Planning Committee Report – Jack Baker
4. Zoning Ordinance Committee Report – Tim Mueller
5. Executive Director's Report – Ange Cahoon
 - a. Friends of CONA donations
 - b. BloomingNeighborhoods
 - c. Registration for Regional Neighborhood Network Conference in Muncie, IN from September 15 to September 17.
 - d. Farmer's Market – Information Table
6. Ordinance of the Month – Grass- Mark Hooker
7. CONA By-Laws Update
8. Adjournment

Upcoming CONA Meetings

Planning Committee: May 25 at Noon in Kelly Conference Room
Executive Committee: June 8 at 5:30 PM at Fairview Methodist Church
Next CONA meeting: June 15 at 7:00 PM in McCloskey Conference Room

CANDIDATE PROFILE: *Catherine Stafford*, Treasurer Candidate

Catherine Stafford grew up in Bloomington, Indiana, graduating from Bloomington High School North and Indiana University. She received her law degree from the University of Minnesota Law School, where she served as student body president during her third year. Catherine has volunteered with the League of Women Voters, Honey Creek School, Minnesota Justice Foundation, Haitian Refugee Project, Minneapolis Legal Aid Society, United Way Community Services of Bloomington-Monroe County, Buskirk-Chumley Theater, District 10 Pro Bono Project, Indiana Legal Services, Humanetrix, and many local political organizations. She is an active member of the Old Northeast Neighborhood Association and is the proud owner of the 1891 Showers Bridwell House on North Washington Street. Catherine is an attorney in private practice in Bloomington, with a focus on family law including premarital agreements, divorce, adoption, custody, support, visitation, guardianship, and co-habitation agreements.

**Council of Neighborhood Associations
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2004**

	<u>Jan 31, 05</u>	<u>Feb 28, 05</u>	<u>Apr 30, 05</u>
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
Petty Cash			100.00
Checking	2,848.21	2,847.29	-605.89
Savings	15,904.84	15,909.72	16,015.13
Total Checking/Savings	<u>18,753.05</u>	<u>18,557.01</u>	<u>15,509.24</u>
Other Current Assets			
Inventory Asset	-1,187.50	-1,187.50	-1,187.50
Total Other Current Assets	<u>-1,187.50</u>	<u>-1,187.50</u>	<u>-1,187.50</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>17,565.55</u>	<u>17,369.51</u>	<u>14,321.74</u>
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Other Current Liabilities			
Art Walk & Sale	-36.00	-36.00	-36.00
Mc Doel Gardens Bench Project	1,700.10	1,700.10	1,700.10
Bryan Park	290.83	290.83	290.83
CAPE	5,386.94	5,386.94	3,864.84
HAND	3,721.60	3,721.60	3,721.60
Waterman	251.87	251.87	251.87
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>11,315.34</u>	<u>11,315.34</u>	<u>9,793.24</u>
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Equity			
Opening Bal Equity	2,157.75	2,157.75	2,157.75
Retained Earnings	5,222.30	5,222.30	5,222.30
Net Income	-1,129.84	-1,325.88	-2,851.55
Total Equity	<u>6,250.21</u>	<u>6,054.17</u>	<u>4,528.50</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>17,565.55</u>	<u>17,369.51</u>	<u>14,321.74</u>

Minutes of CONA Meeting
7:00 p.m., May 18, 2005
City Hall Building
Bloomington, Indiana

Board Members Present:

6 th & Ritter - David Walter	Sunny Slopes – Craig Harvey
Southampton – Richard Carr	Elm Heights – Kathie Holland
Eastside – Mark Hooker	Old Northeast – Catherine Stafford
McDoel Gardens – Jack Baker	Eastside – Teresa Grossi
Hoosier Acres - Fran Moore	Sycamore Knolls - Shirley Davies
Prospect Hill - Cynthia Bretheim	South Griffy – Kate Cruikshank
Bryan Park – Jon Lawrence	Arden Place – Kathy Berry
Elm Heights – Virginia Southern	Elm Heights – Tim Mueller

Ange Cahoon – CONA Executive Director

Business Meeting

1. The minutes from the April 20, 2005 meeting were approved
2. David Walter reviewed the Treasurer's report. The report indicates Assets of \$14,321.74 with Liabilities of \$9,793.24 for a total equity of \$4,528.50. David indicated that next month's accounts will be down considerably when the unspent portion of the CAPE grant is repaid and the McDoel Gardens Bench project gets funded out of donations.
3. Carol Walter indicated that she wanted to resign her position as Treasurer. Catherine Stafford from Old Northeast Neighborhood Association is willing to take over the position. After a short statement of qualifications and discussion, Jack Baker made a motion to approve the election of Catherine Stafford to the Treasurer's position. Craig Harvey seconded the motion and the motion passed.
4. Jack Baker discussed the Planning Committee report. The first draft of the new Zoning Ordinance is being reviewed by a CONA committee as well as by a committee appointed by the City of Bloomington. Together they will work on modifications to the draft. The consultant will make a final presentation of the Downtown Bloomington Development Plan in July. The Metropolitan Planning Organization will have its final plan for transportation improvements ready late in the year. The CSX rail yard purchase is moving ahead again and may be completed by the end of this year.
5. Tim Mueller reported on the first meeting of the CONA Zoning Ordinance review committee. The draft is called the "Unified Development Ordinance". The committee will meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month at the Indiana Room meeting room in the Monroe County Library. The committee has reviewed the first few chapters of the ordinance and will meet with Tom Micuda to discuss some of their concerns about the core neighborhood provisions.
6. Ange Cahoon reviewed the Director's Report. She said that the response to the mailing for donations had about a 4% response rate, which is not too bad considering that the mailing list may have been out of date. So far, \$365.00 has

been raised from the mailing. Saturday, June 4 is the BloomingNeighborhoods Celebration at the Farmer's Market from 10 until noon. Several neighborhood associations have signed up for tables and to show off their new banners. The Regional Neighborhood Network Conference will be held in Muncie this fall and there are 10 spaces available for CONA representatives to attend. The new City of Bloomington Sustainability Committee has space for three representatives from CONA.

7. The "Ordinance of the Month" concerns grass and lawns. Mark Hooker went over the provisions and noted that "natural landscape" is not addressed and "weeds" are not listed. Basically, if a lawn is allowed to grow above 8 inches, the City of Bloomington can send a notice to the property owner to cut the lawn. It was noted that the Village of Slinger, Wisconsin has a provision for natural landscaping, but it requires that it have a border of lawn around the area.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 P. M.