



OVERTON PARK Neighborhood Association

Fort Worth, Texas 76109

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2011 Year End Report

Dear OPNA Neighbors,

2011 has been another event filled year for our neighborhood.

With your participation and support we were successful in accomplishing many neighborhood projects and events.

The OPNA supported collaborative activities with the Tanglewood and Overton West Neighborhood Associations.

- We supported the Cow Town Community Clean-Up. (Held in the Spring of 2011)
- We co-hosted the July 4th Parade with the Tanglewood and Overton West NAs. (Held in the Summer of 2011)
- We were awarded a 2011 Tree Grant by the City of FW. (Awarded in the Winter of 2011)
- The Hulen Street Median Beautification was completed with a Grant from XTO Energy. (Completed in August of 2011)
- The Overton Life Magazine was created along with the Overton West NA. (Established in the Spring of 2011)
- We were nominated for the City's Neighborhood Collaboration Award along with the Overton West NA. (Nominated in December of 2011)



The Overton Park Citizens on Patrol (COPs) had (two) part-time Code Blue COPs volunteers. In 2012 we will be looking for more volunteer COPs patrollers to sustain and grow the program for Overton Park!

We will continue to work with the FWPD to provide a presence and awareness for crime prevention via:

- Automobile & Radio Citizens Patrols
- Email Bulletins and On-Line Reports

Potential 2012 Projects include:

- ✚ Sidewalks along Hulen St. (from Bellaire Drive to SW loop 820).
- ✚ Development of an Overton Park Vehicle Identification Sticker.
- ✚ We are being evaluated for the City's Forestry Department's 2012 Tree Grant for the Hulen Median Project.

Below is a recap of our year's meeting minutes:

November 13, 2011

**Overton Park Neighborhood Association
General Meeting Minutes**



Agenda:

- Minutes Reviewed
- Treasurer's Report
- Committee Reports
- Improvement Project Update
- COPs/NPO Crime Report

Opening:

A regular meeting of the Overton Park Neighborhood Association was called to order at 5:35pm on 10/18/2011 held at the Fort Worth Academy of Fine Arts by President Bob Dellamura. Minutes from the April General Meeting were read; motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as written.

Committee Reports:

Bob gave a report on our Citizens on Patrol. If anyone is interested in participating, please contact Bob or Officer Gonzales.

Treasury Report:

Blake Woodard gave the Treasurer's report. There are 222 paid members of the Overton Park Neighborhood Association as of the meeting. The fiscal year runs from May 1st through April 30th. Dues collected are in excess of \$4,510. The largest contributor to date is XTO Energy with \$25,000. Blake then reviewed the cash management process and expenses. The median project was discussed and the generally maintenance estimate is \$6,000 (this past season's annualized bill) that Overton Park NA and Overton West NA will split evenly. His next comments were on the by-laws for succession and reminded the membership that three of the four executive officers (one of which is himself) were term limited. He then announced his resignation effective January 15th.

Projects:

Richard Minker asked whether XTO would be providing any additional money for maintenance of the median. The short answer is that XTO has provided all the money they had offered us as part of the gas lease signings.

Bob then followed up with further information on the median – maintenance and water. We are responsible for maintaining the flower beds and the trees; the city is responsible for the remainder of the maintenance such as the grass areas.

Neighborhood Patrol Officer Report:

Officer Gonzales then spoke. Our neighborhood is very safe; he wishes his other neighborhoods were as quiet.

General:

The only question was on the sewer project on Summercrest and Briarhaven. Dick responded as he is on Briarhaven and has had conversations with the city. Kal then announced the results of the Paschal High School March-a-thon, which raised over \$12,000. He thanked the neighborhood and promised better information next year.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 6:08pm.

April 17, 2011

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- COPs/NPO Crime Report
- Councilman's Report

Opening:

A regular meeting of the Overton Park Neighborhood Association was called to order at 5:05pm held at the **Congregation Ahavath Sholom** by President Bob Dellamura.

Introductions

President Bob Dellamura called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm. He thanked everyone for coming to the meeting (from a visual inspection, it may have been the largest attendance ever). He then thanks Congregation Ahavath Sholom for allowing us the use of their meeting space and thanked Kal Silverberg for making the arrangements. President Dellamua then recognized the board of the Neighborhood Association, Officer Gonzales, Councilman Zim Zimmerman, and Libby Willis, President of the League of neighborhood Associations.

Minutes

The minutes from the November 2010 General Membership Meeting had been posted on the website. The floor was opened to discussion. A vote on accepting the minutes was passed.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Blake Woodard then presented the Treasurer's report. He reported that 237 households paid memberships in 2010, and to date, 57 had paid for 2011. Due to a mistake in the membership mailing, Blake explained the boundaries of the OPNA and the process he will follow to make sure that checks incorrectly written to OPNA would go to the correct Neighborhood Association.

By-Laws

President Dellamura then presented the proposed changes to the by-laws, including meeting notice clarification, provisions for meeting via electronic means, and the addition of a parliamentarian to the board. The motion to approve the changes passed.

Councilman Report

Councilman Zimmerman then spoke. The next city council will face many issues, including the budget deficit, pension, redistricting, a new gas ordinance, and review ordinances in general.

Neighborhood Patrol Officer Report

Officer Gonzales then spoke, and said that everything was quiet. The biggest news was that there will be a block party on Berry Street.

Committee Report

Brooke Bennett, publisher of Overton Life magazine and area director of N2 Publications, then spoke. She made general announcements about the neighborhood publications.

Project Report

The next item of business was an update on the Hulen Street beautification project. All money has been received from XTO and all project work is complete. The only thing left is the water. We now have the Adopt-A-Median program with the city. We are working on an encroachment agreement for water for a drip irrigation system. The trees were a donation from the city, which is why we had to move forward before the water was in place. The general contractor is watering weekly until the irrigation goes in.

Membership Report

The next item of business was the 2011 membership drive. Bob encouraged membership to cover new recurring expenses of water (for the median) and insurance.

Events

Future events – next up is the 4th of July parade. Also coming will be officer elections.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned by Bob Dellamura at 5:55pm to begin the City Mayoral debate.

AS WE ENTER 2012, with your support, the OPNA can continue to improve our Overton Park neighborhood.

We look forward to our 2012 membership drive and our General Neighborhood Meeting in April.

On behalf of the OPNA leadership team *Dick Abrams, Blake Woodard, Kal Silverberg*
and committee chairs *Tim & Kathy Taylor, Sophie & Lionel Duprat, Mike*
O'Brian, we wish you all a Safe and Happy Holiday Season and New Year!

Best Regards,

Bob Dellamura

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