



## **TWNA Meeting Minutes**

**Sept. 10, 2025, 7:00 p.m. UWEC Flesch Welcome Center**

Call to Order: Chair Susan Miller, 7:01 PM

***Quick recap:** The meeting covered updates on various neighborhood projects and initiatives, including a successful home tour, upcoming elections, and ongoing zoning efforts. Susan discussed neighborhood concerns, including property issues and the need for effective communication with city services.*

Steering present: Susan Miller, Marian Ritland, Eileen Immerman, Jackie Tollefson, Dick Solberg, Bob Schwartz, Patrick Stafford, Peg Gravrok (z). Steering Absent: Sharon Hildebrand and Kathleen Wanke.

### *Chair Report - Susan Miller*

Susan shared the results of the City Council vote on the Century Code and the Third Ward will be zoned NR. Aaron Brewster will share more information. The new murals by Boyd Park and Mayo Hospital are worth a visit. Stop by!

### *Home Tour - Eileen Immerman*

We sold 250 tickets so we can officially say we were sold out! Great experience all around. Many positive comments from participants and a huge thank you to our volunteers and especially our wonderful home owners! We made \$7,776.59 and after paying our bills the profit was \$5,899.04. Please spread the word for 2026. We need houses and volunteers.

### *Treasurers Report -*

Eileen Immerman reported for Sharon that we have \$13,602.91 in our account. Any ideas or suggestions for ways to use this money to help in our neighborhood please let a member of the Steering Committee know.

### *Thrift Sale - Eileen Immerman*

We have around 25 people that signed up to be on the map for the Thrift Sale on Saturday September 13th. Fingers crossed for good weather.

### *Third Ward Neighborhood Picnic - Patrick Stafford*

The picnic will be at Demmler Park on Sunday September 14th from 4:00-7:00pm. There will be games for the kids and rootbeer floats for all kids at heart. Please bring chairs and a dish for the potluck.

### *ECPD - Brandon Dohms*

The house on the corner of Garfield and Wilson was brought up as a concern. Trash in the yard, loud noises into the night, numerous cars/trucks parked in the driveway and yard. Residents are concerned for the young children living in the house. Brandon shared that the landlord has been advised and an eviction notice has been started. The City is responsible for code violations so please contact if you feel there are areas of concern with a property. The Health Department deals with issues such as garbage and exterior home issues. There are departments and ways to contact these departments on the Third Ward website. Concern regarding children living in this home was expressed by neighbors.

### *Demmler Park - Susan Miller*

There will be a sign up sheet at the Neighborhood Picnic for anyone interested in working on the committee to plan a Pollinator Garden in part of the park.

### *Zoning - Aaron Brewster, City Council TW Rep*

We lost our amendment brought forward by Aaron Brewster to have the Third Ward zoned GR which would prevent multi-family homes at the Quad Plex level. The City Council voted to have the Third Ward zoned NR which allows for bigger multi-family structures in parcels large enough. The amendments that Aaron proposed were voted down. Aaron is encouraging neighbors to be diligent. If you see something report it! We need to keep on top of any proposed changes in our neighborhood.

### **We owe a BIG thank you to Aaron for his tireless dedication to the Third Ward and his invaluable insights into our City government.**

He also shared that there will be an increase in the Vehicle Registration/Wheel tax to help offset the deficit in the City budget. The County will be \$85.00 and the City will be \$85.00.

### *Communications - Eileen Immerman*

This committee that has been one lone person is in need of some help! There will be a sign up at the picnic for anyone interested in helping with the yearly newsletter, keeping our social media current and any other help Eileen needs. Please consider being a part of this very valuable asset of our neighborhood.

### *Recap and UW-EC updates*

- Steering committee: Determine how to use the \$5,899.04 profit from the home tour for neighborhood improvements.
- Steering Committee: Prepare for next month's election of steering committee members.
- Susan: Email steering committee members to confirm their interest in continuing on the steering committee.
- Patrick: Coordinate the neighborhood picnic on Sunday at 4:00 PM.
- Aaron: Continue working on the new playground equipment project. (Owen Park equipment not viable.)
- Eileen: Distribute extra home tour booklets to those interested for \$5 each.
- We shared the neighborhood services/health department complaint information slides with the group.
- Community Service Officers: Continue monitoring parking and child welfare issues at the property on the corner of Garfield and Wilson Street
- Anne McCoy, the Chief of Staff to the Chancellor at the University, introduced herself at the meeting and offered to serve as an additional university contact, relieving Jake Grasse of some responsibilities. She provided updates on the upcoming UWEC Homecoming on October 4th, which will include a parade, football game, tailgating, and a post-game party. Additionally, she shared information about the Science and Health Building's topping-off ceremony and ongoing construction, noting that the first classes in the building are expected in fall 2027.

The mtg ended with an announcement about the annual meeting next month and a call for more steering committee members.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm Please remember - Comments or concerns – Email [3rdwardeauclaire@gmail.com](mailto:3rdwardeauclaire@gmail.com)

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