

## AHANA Meeting 4/2/06

1. Our neighborhood chair, Stephanie Krenn, welcomed all those in attendance and began the meeting at 6:30.
2. In the absence of our treasurer, Stephanie reported that we have \$1458.91 in the treasury. A request was made for \$20 to purchase bottled water and snacks to be utilized on the day of our neighborhood clean-up. The request was accepted. She also asked for a volunteer with carpenter skills to cut down the size of the current backboard that is placed at the entrance to Atlantic Heights prior to each monthly meeting. Ken Scarpetti has assumed responsibility for that project.
3. The minutes from the 2/5/06 meeting were accepted. A copy was available for residents to read. A suggestion was made to post the minutes on the list serve for those with computer access. This is under consideration.
4. Updates were provided for a variety of issues that impact our neighborhood.
  - There were no further housing development updates to report other than the hotel proposed for the corner of Kearsarge Way and Market Street has made some progress.
  - Documentation that is necessary for the Registry of Historic Places will be completed by August 1. A recent mailing to all neighborhood residents requesting donations toward the application fee gave fund-raising a boost. More contributions would be welcomed.
  - Because funds to complete the Crescent Way streetscape plan will not be available until July first, neighbors in the affected area can enjoy less dust and noise until that time. An engineering and design study for Raleigh Way is going to occur in the fall. It is important that residents begin to think about one-way vs. two-way streets. Street direction will influence street parking, traffic flow, sidewalks, etc. In a show of hands by those in attendance at the meeting, one-way traffic is currently the most popular choice.
  - Ken Scarpetti gave us an update on how to purchase windows and roofing through Harvey Industries. The information will be posted on our website. Ken also mentioned that he has begun to contact oil companies regarding the pre-buy oil program.
  - Stephanie Krenn read a letter from Jeb Bradley, our district representative in the United States House of Representatives. He outlined the most effective way to have our concerns known regarding bridge noise and the lack of a sound barrier. He recommends contacting the Rockingham Regional Planning Commission, our local NH Department of Transportation office, at 603-742-2523.
  - The Garden Club is requesting that you keep the following events in mind:
    - **Neighborhood Clean Up Day/Saturday, April 15(rain date April 16).** Plan to meet at 10 a.m. in Big Rock Park with rakes and street brooms.
    - **Plant and Seed Share/May 20.** Gardeners with perennials to divide, seedlings, and saved seeds can bring them to Big Rock Park at 10 a.m.
    - **Neighborhood Planting/ June 17.** The neighborhood parks and Adopt-A-Spot will be planted.
    - **Seventh Annual Garden Tour/July 8.** 9:30a.m.-12:30.
5. In the area of upcoming events, we are in need of a chairperson for the June **Neighborhood Yard Sale.**
6. Newsletter articles as well as ideas are needed for the next newsletter. Please contact our neighborhood co-chair, Cristy Cardoso.
7. Nominations for Board positions will take place at the May 7 meeting. Bylaw updates will also be made at this time.

8. Dave Cohen from New Heights Youth Programs spoke about the after school and summer programs that are available for students in the sixth through eighth grades. There are already a number of participants from Atlantic Heights and more are being encouraged to take part.
9. Jenn Will spoke about a recent citywide neighborhood association meeting where the featured speaker, Barry Foley, outlined the recreational activities that are available at the Spinnaker Point recreation center.

**The next Atlantic Heights Area Neighborhood Association meeting will take place on Sunday, May 7, in the community room of the senior housing center on Bedford Way. PLEASE REMEMBER TO PARK FACING THE FIELD AND NOT ALONG THE BUILDING.**