

Friends of Matthias Baldwin Park
December 2013 Meeting

Present: Mary & Frank, Beth, Jim, Seamus, Joan

Approval of the minutes of the November meeting were suspended until the January meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Jim Fennell delivered a brief financial report stating that there have been no changes in our financial state, and we are in the same condition as reported in the a November meeting.

*Beth Shay submitted a bill for the fees that Paul paid for while getting our non-profit application approved. Cost is and Seamus will give it to treasurer Jim Ruddick.

FUNDRAISING

We discussed creating a fundraising component of the Friends.

Beth asked if we needed one since Forest City seems to be in line for "fixing" the walls of Connections. We determined that it is still a good thing to have fundraising for future needs [brochure, etc.] but that a committee is not necessary at this time.

*Jim Fennel announced that he plans to self-publish his Connections photos and that he plans to share any profits with the Friends.

We will continue discussions at future meetings.

REPORT ON NEAR NEIGHBORS MEETING, DECEMBER

Jim and Seamus reported on the Tuesday meeting at Franklinton Apartments on the Museum Tower 2 project of Forest City.

*The good news is that the city has negotiated FC to repair walls, benches and lights. The bad news is that the city will grant an easement to allow FC to use 10' of the northern boundary to install utilities [gas, electric] along the Hamilton St corridor for MT 2. Everything is tentative until final approval of the project by the city. Jim & Seamus promised to keep the Friends informed.

HOLIDAY PARTY

Frank & Mary reminded us of the FoMBP holiday party to be held at their house on December 19th from 6 - 8 pm.

We chose Saturday, the 21st at 11am for the December cleanup.

THE NEXT MEETING IS JANUARY 8, AT 7PM, IN THE TIVOLI