



## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**October 29, 2013 Meeting Notes**

**Cindy Read, Secretary**

The Berkner Park Neighborhood Association general meeting was held on October 29, 2013. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Gene Lawrence. The Berkner Park Neighborhood Association current leadership team was then introduced along with Ben Beasley, who is on special assignment (email distribution and management), and Nancy Prater, who is managing the association's newsletter.

Several city dignitaries were in attendance: Mayor Pro Tem Bob Townsend, City Council Representatives Paul Voelker, Mark Solomon, and Scott Dunn, Deputy City Manager David Morgan, and Mayor Laura Maczka. Also in attendance was Linda Koop (candidate for House District 102) and Stefani Carter (our sitting House District 102 Representative) who are both running for State Legislature – House District 102.

Mr. Lawrence thanked the Beautification Committee for participating in 'Make a Difference Day' where a team of volunteers helped a person in need clean the outside of their house, trimmed trees and planted flowers.

The Membership Committee also received thanks for their good work. They met their 2013 goal of 160 and the goal for 2014 is 200 members.

Keynote speaker Mayor Laura Maczka talked about the 10 things that have her excited about Richardson:

- State Farm
- Methodist Hospital Richardson
- Alamo Draft House
- UT Dallas
- 2010 Bond which allowed for a fire training center and emergency center
- Housing Incentive
- Revitalization
- Arts Master Plan
- Budget – no tax rate increase
- Amazing Council

Mr. Lawrence recognized businesses that have helped the Berkner Park Neighborhood Association during the year. He also gave out awards for the following areas:

- Community Service – Robert Goetz
- Good Neighbor – Todd Bland & Rick Turner
- Star Volunteer – Thomas Dickerson
- Star Sponsor – Calloway's Nursery, Lowe's, Home Depot & Albertson's

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.