Minutes

Pinckney Neighborhood Association Meeting September 20, 2014, Lawrence Memorial Hospital Meeting Room D-North

Those who signed in, alpha order: Pat Miller, presiding; Katie Armitage, Steve Braswell, Michelle Derusseau, Janice Early, Lance Fahy, Kim Heck, Paul Jefferson, Lori Lange, Paul Liechti, Bart and Lynnette Littlejohn, Jennifer Newlin, Amber Nickel, Shannon Parker, Norma Pierce, Terry Riordan, Bob Schumm, Anne Shaw, Melinda Toumi, David Unekis, Darin Wade, Bill Woody Jr.

Call to Order: 10:05 a.m.

Agenda: Approved unanimously (Pierce so moved, Liechti seconded). **Minutes:** Provided, but discussion/approval tabled for reasons of time.

Treasurer's Report

Bank: \$2,382.12 Petty Cash: \$81.97

2014-2015 CDBG: \$7,541 (no draws yet)

LAN Representative Report (Steve Braswell)

- A recent presentation by a new officer of the Chamber of Lawrence included emphasis on increased transparency in the operation and more support for existing businesses in future.
- The Lawrence Pedestrian Coalition presented information on a new "Barker Pedestrian Plan," which could be a model for other neighborhoods.
- The Downtown Grocery group reported that Lewis Foods (Checkers), the possible developer of the former Border's property, is asking for few or no city subsidies, but the deal is not done.
- A "pro-con" panel regarding the 0.2 percent sales tax referendum on the Nov 4 ballot is set for Oct 15 at the Lawrence Public Library.

Business Items

- PNA's new coordinator, Emily Matteson, was introduced.
- PNA Trunk-or-Treat with Old West Lawrence (Amber Nickel)
 - The committee's printed report is attached.

The membership approved the service project plan to benefit Community Health Access, a nonprofit for low-income Douglas County residents that is based in the Pinckney neighborhood, with a back-up beneficiary of JustFood. Nickel so moved and Anne Shaw seconded.

• Upcoming Events

- Oct 4, 10 am: Joint PNA/OWLA meeting at Pinckney School for the purpose of updates from the school, especially renovation plans. Not an official PNA meeting. Several people indicated an interest in attending.
- Oct 18, 10 am: The regular monthly meeting will focus on reactions and discussions regarding possible ramifications of the proposed 0.2 percent city sales tax increased and the city's related possible purchase of Hallmark property adjoining Pinckney residential properties.
- o Oct 25: Trunk-or-Treat, LMH parking lot, Arkansas Street just north of Fourth, 3 pm set-up, 4-6 pm open to public.
- o Nov 15, 10 am: Regular monthly meeting.
- o Dec 20: Meeting cancelled
- o Jan 17, 10 am: Regular monthly meeting.
- o Feb 21, 10 am: Annual meeting and election of president and treasurer.

Adjournment: 10:48 a.m. (Toumi so moved, Shaw seconded).

Note: Following adjournment, the PNA hosted presentations by representatives of organizations promoting passage of the 0.2 percent sales tax to facilitate building a new headquarters for the Lawrence Police Department in the Pinckney neighborhood. Those presenting included Lawrence Police Chief Tarik Khatib, Lawrence City Commissioners Bob Schumm and Dr. Terry Riordan, Lawrence City Manager David Corliss, and from Lawrence Memorial Hospital, Karen Shumate, COO, and Janice Early, community relations director.

Respectfully submitted, Norma Pierce