#### Minutes

# Pinckney Neighborhood Association Meeting November 15, 2014, Lawrence Memorial Hospital Meeting Room

Participants: Pat Miller, presiding; Steve Braswell, Linda Bush, Kim Heck, Paul Jefferson, Norma Pierce, Anne Shaw.

Call to Order: 10:07 a.m.

**Agenda:** With additions\* approved unanimously.

**Minutes:** Past two meeting minutes approved unanimously.

### Treasurer's Report (Linda Bush)

\$2,476.68 bank account \$81.97 petty cash \$6,091.80 2014-2015 CDBG \$8,650.45 Total

Expense liabilities: \$62.00 annual Post Office Box fee, monthly salary for coordinator.

Bush also reported a donation of \$100.00.

## LAN Report (Linda Bush)

- Pinckney's representative, Steve Braswell, is retiring from his position as secretary. The group voted to appoint Bush as PNA representative and Braswell as alternate. It was explained that each neighborhood has one vote, and each officer has one vote.
- The Chamber of Commerce presented at the last LAN meeting, emphasizing support of entrepreneurial endeavors and work force training.

#### **Business Items**

**Trunk-or-Treat Success:** With 20+ "trunks," booths and games and the highest number of children attending in memory, the event was ranked a big success. For future events, the advice is to invite Old West Lawrence Association to participate again and to drop the awards for best costume and best trunk.

### **Emergency Preparedness**

The group discussed possible ways the neighborhood can be helpful to residents with special needs in the aftermath of events such as a devastating tornado. It had been assumed that the Housing Authority takes some responsibility for its tenants, which include some people with mobility problems in Pinckney, but that turns out not to be the case. Investigation of what other systems may be in place will be done, with a report, discussion and possible guest speaker(s) tentatively planned for the Jan. 17, 2015, meeting.

# **Zoning and Other Planning Issues**

- Extension of site plan authorization for McCray's Lumber: The PNA has no position on this issue.
- Request for zoning change to 345 Florida: Miller attended the recent planning commission meeting regarding this request by a potential purchaser to change the zoning from single family/offices to high-density multi-family. The blocks surrounding this property are zoned RM24 (high density), but the properties are all single family or duplexes. Therefore, action on the request has been tabled, and the requestor has been asked for a detailed site plan for the proposed development prior to further discussion.
- Pinckney Neighborhood Plan: An up-to-date assessment of the neighborhood along with an official record of the residents' wishes for future development is considered a good tool for addressing development proposals. The Pinckney Neighborhood Plan was updated last in 1978. Bush moved that the group start the process, which might take a year or more. Jefferson seconded. The vote was unanimous. A full discussion, with reports from interested members, is set tentatively for the meeting Feb 21.

## \* Added Agenda Topics

- Bush noted city discussion of proposed change to current regulations regarding parking of RVs, boats and trailers at residences is scheduled next week.
- Bush also noted that rental registration is moving forward with inspections of unregistered properties starting in January.
- Bush provided information from the Horizon 2020 forums that she has attended recently and noted that she will be presenting the LAN perspective in a public forum Dec 8.
- Braswell reported on the grant-funded development of "Safe Routes to School" and suggested the group find out where Pinckney Elementary is in the process.
- Anne Shaw asked where to recycle plastic bags, since the new city recycling program does not accept them. Answer: Dillon's and HyVee
  groceries.

### **Future Meetings**

- December meeting cancelled
- Jan 17, 10 am: Regular monthly meeting.
- Feb 21, 10 am: Annual meeting and election of president and treasurer.

Adjournment: 11:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Norma Pierce