

TLNA Council Meeting

September 14, 2017

Festival Foods Conference Center, 7:00 pm

Present: Tyler Lark, Richard Linster, Karla Handel, Bob Klebba, Bob Hemauer, Patty Prime, Marta Staple, Patrick Heck, Jessi Mulhall, Keith Wessel, Tim Stumm, Sarah Herrick, Elena Duncan, Steve Wilke

Absent: Paul Ongioni

Guests: Liz Stolz, Martha Claassen, Alder Ledell Zellers, Vern Stenman

*TLNA focus for 2017 is transportation safety in our neighborhood.*

Call to order 7:01 pm

Patrick Heck moves to approve July's minutes, Bob Klebba seconded. Minutes approved unanimously.

See <http://www.tenneylapham.org/web-data/news/minute/082017.pdf> for minutes.

1. Introductions

2. Fishboil at the Avenue, Feedback

Liz Stolz, The Avenue Manager: [lstolz@foodfightinc.com](mailto:lstolz@foodfightinc.com)

- Fishboil was done during the rain on 08/16/2017, with the fire started at 4 pm and extinguished at 7pm. There were 27 people in attendance. Lower attendance allowed the Avenue to keep all the doors opened, and there were no parking concerns.
- Event was city approved.
- Liz is at council meeting to receive neighborhood feedback, would like to know if there are changes the neighborhood prefers for future fish boil planning. The Avenue would like to have a similar event in the future.
- No known neighborhood feedback.

- No planned next event. Would like to have a neighborhood party, pending a restaurant menu revamping. Neighborhood party advertisement will likely be through facebook.
- The previously proposed tailgate events are not happening.
- Bob Hemauer expressed gratitude for Liz's ongoing presence and involvement in neighborhood needs when planning events at The Avenue.
- Tyler Lark enjoys fish boils, and would welcome more of these events. Liz would like to do these sorts of events quarterly.
- Richard Linster wants to clarify that the event is considered a success even when the attendance was low. Liz notes that ticketed events can be low turn out for August, turnout was consistent with August and weather.
- Bob Klebba recommends that Liz uses the TLNA email listserve to advertise events. Patrick Heck would like to see advertisement on the neighborhood facebook group.

### 3. Request for TLNA support to rename Central Park after Milt McPike

Bob Hemauer, as representative of Madison Parks Foundation

- The Madison Parks Foundation is asking for is a letter of support, addressed to the Madison Parks Foundation, that can be presented to the appropriate city agencies to get the park re-naming process underway. Proposing change of Central Park to Milt McPike Park.
- ***Karla Handell makes a motion to support the renaming of Central Park to Milt McPike Park to create a more inclusive park name. Second by Patrick Heck.***
  - Amendment by Tyler Lark: letter to support renaming of the park to Milt McPike or other person of color. Amendment rescinded.
  - Discussion:
    - Bob Hemauer would like letter of support to the Madison Parks Foundation to share with other neighborhood associations and for application to Parks Department.

- Patrick Heck would like to know if the namesake's family has been contacted, and Bob notes that the Madison Parks Foundation is in process of making this contact.
  - Tyler Lark would like to know if other names were considered, and Bob Hemauer notes there was unanimous agreement on this name and individual.
  - Tim Stumm would like to know if there is another plan or another name if the family is reluctant to support the use of the name for the park. Bob Hemauer would not support moving forward with this if the family has objections.
  - Bob Klebba would be hesitant to vote for this name change without background information to make this decision. Bob Hemauer notes that this proposed change is not yet part of an official city process, but is instead a private group of individuals looking to make a positive change. Bob Klebba would like to know if there are other options to look at. There is no formal procedure for park renaming, no process for public input.
  - Patty Prime understands why Milt McPike would be chosen, he had broad recognition for the work he did and the changes he made. Patty thinks this is a reasonable selection. He was Principal McPike to the students at East High School.
- Information regarding Milt McPike:  
[http://host.madison.com/news/east-principal-put-kids-first-milt-mcpike/article\\_9578260a-8ebf-59a7-9078-d1261b780563.html](http://host.madison.com/news/east-principal-put-kids-first-milt-mcpike/article_9578260a-8ebf-59a7-9078-d1261b780563.html)
  - Vote on the motion: **Vote: Yea 11, Nay 1, Abstain 1**

#### 4. Elected Officials Report

Aldersperson Ledell Zellers: [district2@cityofmadison.com](mailto:district2@cityofmadison.com)

- Salvation Army had a recent site visit from Salvation Army leadership, and will revise planning of the redevelopment project. TLNA is named as a stakeholder in the replanning.
  - Patrick Heck wonders if this has any implication for the continued involvement of Commonwealth from Minnesota. Alder Zellers is unsure.
- Veritas Village is on schedule and 60% complete. Leasing is going well with 40% of Phase I units rented and leasing on Phase II just starting. A corner art installation has created some discussion. Patty notes there are only 2 outdoor parking areas for bikes, and only 1 outdoor stair has a railing. Alderperson Zellers has requested that city follow up with this. Alder Zellers appreciates this feedback to keep developers accountable to the plans.
- A house on E Johnson near the Caribou is planned and prepared to be moved, with the M. Mattey project planned to be complete in 12 months.
- The Lyric is planning a grand opening event. QTI has moved into a 3rd floor suite in the Lyric, and Design Concepts is moved in. Additional companies continue their build out with October move in, Filene and Graef Engineering.
- Messner project received 7 proposals by the RFP deadline. Alder Zellers has no additional information.
- In the Galaxie, the Star Liner lofts are now being sold as condos instead of rental properties due to decreased interest. There are accepted offers on 5 of the 19 live/work units in the StarLiner. Rooftop garden is delayed due to the need for an additional exit. Tyler Lark wonders who will run this garden, and Alder Zellers is unsure.
- James Madison Park is undertaking a master plan, and 5 proposals were received for the RFP.
- Tenney Park island playground is currently under construction, and a tree that had to come down will be integrated into the playground. Prairie restoration looks good, Parks is pleased, and Patty has seen herons at the prairie. The playground is likely to be completed in fall, 2017.
- Phase 2 of the Comprehensive Plan rewrite initiative was recently completed. Phase 3 Community Meetings will be held the 4<sup>th</sup> week in October. These meetings will focus on: How should we prioritize strategies? How should we prioritize growth? Phase 4 will take place in spring 2018. The expectation is for the new Comprehensive Plan to be adopted by the Common Council late summer 2018.

- It is budget time in the city government, and Alder Zellers is interested in recommendations or requests for budget items moving forward. Things move slowly, for example the Johnson St undergrounding has been in the budget for a long time and may be done this year. Public Market funding remains in the budget.
  - Patty requests street lights on E Mifflin Street between the Lyric and Lapham School. Will follow up with Alder Zellers by email for this concern.
- Elena Duncan asks about city plans for the corner of Franklin and E. Washington Ave, with plans for a “regular” hotel instead of an Extended Stay. Alder Zellers notes that the location, with a one-way street and the zoning split mid-block creates some challenges for this project. A brick house would be relocated if a project moves forward.
  - Bob Klebba will chair steering committee for proposed development.
- A historic preservation planning process for the whole city will kick off on Sept 26 at 6:00 pm at the Goodman Community Center. This plan will help identify areas of the city or properties that are important to the heritage and history of the city and which should be considered for preservation. Given the historic nature of the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood, this will likely be of interest to the TLNA. A consultant has been hired to work on this preservation plan, allowed in the city budget.
- Traffic engineering has identified an issue with eastbound bicycles unable to access the bike lane on E Mifflin at Blair, when a car is parked blocking this button. Traffic engineering proposes removal of this parking spot, and will add a central lane button in the street rebuild.
- Richard Linster requests follow up on inspection concerns, and Alder Zellers will follow up.
- Tyler Lark wonders if there is continued discussion in the budget to discuss lights for Reynold’s Park, particularly for the tennis courts. Alder Zellers knows this is on the radar for the budget. Keeping canopy trees while doing partial undergrounding is not planned in budget.
- No plans in the budget to add pedestrian lights on E. Washington between Blount and Livingston. These lights are costly, and are billed to the property owners.
- State budget could have significant impact on Madison.
  - League of WI Municipalities asked Governor to veto eminent domain for public trail use, and this would have a negative impact on linking bike trails.

- Limitations of local government to regulate quarries proposed
- Prohibit municipalities from banning home rentals for >7 days, with possible impact on the city's AirBNB allowances and prohibitions.

## 5. Big Top Events Follow up

Vern Stenman: [vern@mallardsbaseball.com](mailto:vern@mallardsbaseball.com)

- Still have a few events coming up at Breese Stevens. Ryan Adams concert and a Modest Mouse concert planned for the end of September, 2018.
- This year, there have been 4 shows, diverse and successful.
- Turkey Trot is planned on Thanksgiving morning again, in partnership with Festival Foods. Planning to make changes to speakers for this event, and will return to TLNA prior to this event,
- Speakers were lowered, adjusted this year for athletic events, and Vern has not had any feedback about noise for these events,
- Would like to receive input and feedback from the council regarding this past season and upcoming plans.
- Patty would like to know when planning for next season starts, and Vern notes it is now. Hoping for facilities improvements, including a build of a kitchen and review of the long term plan for the facility and leasing from the Madison Parks.
- Breese Stevens is still in pursuit of minor league soccer, and they currently have a very interesting opportunity to bring high level soccer to the stadium. The league has teams in Cincinnati, Louisville, and Las Vegas. This would bring the second highest level of professional soccer to Breese Stevens, and the facility does not currently meet necessary standards to host this level of team. There would need to be major infrastructure changes to accommodate this if it continues in planning.
  - Timing of bringing this in can coincide with the 2019 parking structure completion

- Season is 19 home games, from March to Fall, and a review of a recent season appears to fit well with the stadium schedule. Local school teams maintain priority for scheduling.
- Project an attendance of 4000 per game, which can be contained in current capacity.
- Madison would be one of the smallest cities to host one of these teams.
- Bob Klebba wonders about ownership of the team, and Vern Stenman notes that it is a partnership. Breese Stevens would be operator, with a partner for financial investment to bring the team.
- Bob Klebba commends and thanks Vern Stenman for his responsiveness and availability to noise complaints on the neighborhood email listserve for the recent Cheese Curd fest. This polka band event was surprisingly noisy despite low amplification. They have now abandoned this stage location.
  - Bob Klebba notes that bass sounds carry farther, like tuba sounds.
  - Elena Duncan reports that her uncle lives near Breese Stevens, and has complained about noise in the past, and this year he hasn't complained at all about noise this year.
  - Vern has done door-to-door visits on E Mifflin and E Dayton, following noise complaints. Breese Stevens provides free tickets to residents in these noise affected areas.
- Considering some off-season events, like a Halloween events or a winter beer festival, and this will take some additional time and planning. Some staff turnover, Eva replaces Lucas, and she will soon meet the TLNA council.
- Extra concert exceeding the contractual 5 this year, and the general response has been positive. Will follow up with Parks Foundation regarding this extra fundraising event.
  - Tyler Lark would like to know what defines a concert. A concert is measured by decibel limits measured at the soundboard, 100dB sound limit.
  - Non concert events are defined as sound under 80 dB at the perimeter of the location.
- Hoping to renegotiate long term facility use, and looking at some wording changes in the redraft of a renewed use agreement, all for future conversation.

## 6. Council Chair reports

- Tim Stumm, Treasurer
  - No Report
- Keith Wessel, housing
  - No report
- Bob Klebba, Transportation Safety
  - Shared a list of E Mifflin Bike Boulevard Features as proposed change, see Appendix A.
  - Traffic Engineering with the city is eager to get started with some of these changes.
  - Some problems are identified for concerns, particularly with raised intersections. Instead some speed humps are focused in some areas of the bike boulevard, particularly for the Blount and E Mifflin intersection, where there have been many bike/car accidents.
  - Biggest issue will be the diverter test at Blair and Mifflin, and TE will be placing a diverter at Blair to prevent eastbound traffic from moving down E. Mifflin into the neighborhood. Traffic monitor counters will be placed on Mifflin and Dayton, for the duration of the 90 day test. Comparison pre-intervention has already been collected for comparison. Time for implementation is still this fall.
    - Communication to the neighborhood is planned for this, prior to implementation
  - Tammy TK Principal at Lapham has suggested a one way westbound block on E Dayton to help reduce congestion on school days, with a counterflow bike lane. Marking the pavement as a no-standing area for cars at the curb cut is considered.
  - Other plans or suggestions include removal of all stop signs on E Mifflin, and a traffic diverter at Baldwin.



- Possible painted intersection at Ingersoll and Dayton. A city process exists for this, including group, supply of paint, a supportive organization, and provision of insurance. A group could approach the TLNA and request paint supply, provide a plan, and request budget and insurance coverage.
- Patrick Heck has many questions, and plans to defer these to the judgement of the transportation committee.
- Process for communication to the neighborhood:
  - Scheduling a meeting for the neighborhood that can accommodate Alder Zellers attendance, needs lots of lead time
  - When should timing of the meeting occur, prior to implementation of diverter, while diverter test is in place, and/or after the test is over.
  - Bob Klebba hopes to have a map of the neighborhood with locations and descriptions of proposed changes marked for neighbors to see and provide feedback at the annual meeting in October, 2017.
  - Richard Linster would like to see the announcement of a neighborhood meeting date at the time of the annual neighborhood meeting. The communication of the start of the test will need to be shared with neighbors prior to start of diverter test. Plan to share via Listserve, Newsletter, and facebook.
- Potential neighborhood meeting for November 2, 2017, Thursday, with Alder Zellers and Tom Moore from TE to be invited. Opportunity for feedback for neighbors after implementation of diverter and to review other options.
- Tyler Lark, Parks
  - No updates
- Steve Wilke, Business
  - Planters with mixed results.

- Patrick Heck, Development Chair
  - No written report to be shared.
  - Houden proposal cancelled for tonight's meeting, with unexplained postponement.
  - Bob Hemauer shared concerns about a recent email that reflects poorly on the role of the TLNA in the development approval process. The TLNA should be a voice for the neighbors, and developer petition-getting would circumvent the established process.
  - Richard Linster notes that Houden's conduct on this proposal has been extraordinary, not in a good way, and suggests an intent to clear the air and create an honest dialogue about what is going on. Keith Wessels notes that the email from Houden was disingenuous, with votes for preservations confusing the requested plans.
  - Bob Klebba notes that ultimately this comes down to the council's willingness to change the neighborhood plan. Bob Klebba fears that the contractor is planning to withhold presentation and voting until TLNA council has turned over to new less experienced members.
  - Alder Zellers notes that TLNA has a lot of credibility with the city with evolution of multiple recent projects that have unfolded well and to the satisfaction of the developer, neighborhood, and the city. Alder Zellers also notes that petitions are not the final voice in decision making.
- Jessi Mulhall, Newsletter Chair
  - Next Newsletter Deadline Sept 15, 2017, tomorrow, but submissions allowed over the weekend.
  - Keith and Tyler both planning submissions, and Bob Shaw has recommended seeing a school related piece.
  - Elena recommends a call for new members to the neighborhood association.
- Bob Hemauer, Social Chair

- Taste of Tenney planning continues with good commitments, and ongoing requests.
- Big Top has committed cash.
- Richard Linster, Membership
  - Since last meeting: 27 memberships in last month from 243 to 270, and \$ 275 in dues collected from \$ 2,595 to \$ 2,870.
- Elena Duncan
  - Helping to get requests enrolled on listserve, and would to see a standardized response with information about membership.

## 9. President comments

Patty Prime

- Taste of Tenney will be on Wednesday, October 18 at Christ Presbyterian Church. No second week October meeting.
- Beacon, Homeless Day Resource Center, opens on Friday, October 13, 11am-6pm. Budget shortfall persists. Safer East Washington crossing planned. Real and tangible volunteer needs have been identified and shared.

Motion to Adjourn by Steve Wilke, and seconded by Patty Prime.

Adjourned at 8:45 pm.

## **Appendix A: East Mifflin Bike Boulevard Features**

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Prepared by Bob Klebba

The following are features that the ad hoc committee wants to see implemented.

- All-way stop at Ingersoll and Mifflin
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- All-way stop at Patterson and Mifflin
- Flip stop signs at Dickinson and Dayton (stop signs on Dickinson)
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- One additional street light 600 block Mifflin (installed)

- Additional street lights 700 and 1000 blocks Mifflin
- Diverter test at Blair on Mifflin
- Biker-friendly button to activate flasher at Blair on Mifflin (maybe sensor in pavement?)
- Speed humps 800 block Dayton
- Speed humps 00 block Blount
- Speed humps 100 block Blount
- Speed humps 800 block Mifflin
- Speed humps 900 block Mifflin
- Speed humps 100 block Ingersoll
- Speed humps 200 block Ingersoll
- Raised intersection at Patterson and Mifflin (requires budgeting)
- Signs restricting access to Dayton from Baldwin during rush hour (instead of diverter)
- Signs restricting access to Mifflin from Baldwin during rush hour (instead of diverter)
- Signage preventing turns onto Mifflin from Baldwin during peak hours
- Signage preventing turns on Dayton from Baldwin during peak hours
- Overhead stop signs on Blount at Mifflin
- Pedestrian flasher on E Washington at Blount
- Realign crosswalk 800 block Mifflin (between Galaxie and Reynolds Park)

#### New ideas for Lapham School

- Make Dayton one-way westbound
- Counterflow for bikes
- Diverter on Dayton at Brearly
- Curb cut at door 2 (nearer to playground)
- Pavement marking of no standing area in drop-off zone in front of door 2

#### EMBB ad hoc committee wants to continue to work on

- Remove stop signs on Mifflin at Livingston
- Diverter at Baldwin on Mifflin
- Remove all stop signs on Mifflin between Blair and Yahara Bike Path

#### Features that fall outside of the scope of the ad hoc committee

- Widen apron connection with Yahara Bike Path to facilitate bike travel
- Reclaim right of way from Dickinson to Yahara Bike Path
- Painted intersection Mifflin and Blount (existing city process)