TLNA Council Meeting September 13, 2018

Festival Foods Conference Center, 7:00 pm

Present: Patty Prime, Martha Claassen, Jonny Hunter, Jessi Mulhall, Bob Klebba, Keith Wessel, Patrick Heck, Karla Handel, Bob Hemauer, Meghan Conlin, Richard Linster, Marta Staple, Tyler Lark, Senay Goitom

Absent: Cameron Field, Elena Satut-Duncan, Andy Adams

Guests: Alder Ledell Zellers, MPD Officers Snoddy and Lewis, Salvation Army Captain Shields, Michael Parks, Andrew Serri, Ken Saiki, Melissa Huggins, Greg May, Tom Martin, Sarah Lerner

Call to order: 7:04 pm

• Bob K. made motion to approve the minutes once the corrections in the Google Doc are made. Senay seconded, all approve.

Welcome and introductions

Neighborhood Officer Report-Ken Snoddy

- Shots fired incident early on the morning of September 13th that is still under investigation.
 - Witness/victim interviews have had significant discrepancies related to the location of the shooting and police are still actively trying to piece together what happened.
- Sexual assault reported near Paterson St early in the morning of September 12th.
 - Police are also still investigating this and unable to provide more information at this time.
- Three reports of things stolen out of cars in the last month.
 - A group of kids was caught related to at least one of those cases.
 - One stolen car was also reported.
- Speed board installed on East Mifflin St. near Brearly St. to tell cars how fast they are going at that corner. It will probably be there for at least a week.
- Reynolds Park-Not a significant increase in alcohol-related calls, but a couple calls for marijuana and people sleeping in the park.
 - Andrew Serri, who lives across from Reynolds Park reports that he has seen an increase in alcohol-related issues in the last week.

Presentation on James Madison Park Master Plan-Ken Saiki, Melissa Destree , Sarah Lerner

- Group presented an informational presentation about the James Madison Park Master Plan process as well as renderings of proposed park and shelter.
 - There will be a neighborhood meeting on September 24 at Christ Presbyterian Church at 6:00 pm to gather additional neighborhood input.
 - Bob H. asked about the timeline for implementation of the plan, particularly the shelter.
 - The group explained that this plan will begin to get looked at when the Mayor's budget is developed in November. More information about schedules and timelines for the project will be available after that.

Neighborhood Flooding and Lake Levels Discussion

- No one present at the meeting is aware of any residents or businesses sustaining significant flood related damage in the neighborhood.
- Concerned residents from the Marquette neighborhood held a meeting to discuss lake levels. The group determined that they would like more information about the ramifications of changing the lake levels and scheduled another meeting to discuss this issue further.
 - Bob H. suggested that TLNA continue to be involved in discussions about lake levels so that we can best advocate for the neighborhood on this topic.
 - To get some quick information about TLNA's feelings on the lake level discussion, a question was asked to determine if anyone opposes lowering the lake levels. The general consensus was that we don't have a lot of information, but everyone on the council is interested in exploring this issue further
- Tyler suggested considering "water" as the TLNA annual theme for next year.
- The Centennial Celebration, which was scheduled for September 9 in Tenney Park, was postponed. We are holding a date in November and May, but it is expected that the park will still be too wet in November, so the celebration will probably be rescheduled for May.

Question about Salvation Army - Michael Parks

- Michael Parks recently moved back to the neighborhood after a couple years away and has concerns about an 8-unit apartment building owned by the Salvation Army on the 200 block of N. Brearly St. His concerns were related to the building's policy on overnight guests.
- Captain Shields from the Salvation Army outlined the type of lease the residents have in that building (which does not have a unique policy on overnight guests) and discussed steps the Salvation Army has been taking related to loitering and security at that building.

By-Law Changes

- There will be some changes to the TLNA nomination committee. These will be shared by email and at the membership meeting next month.
- TLNA will also be implementing the changes to the spending rules that Tyler has outlined at previous meetings.

Officer Reports

- **Tyler**-All the ash trees sponsored by TLNA were retreated and now are set for the next 3 years. The cost was ~\$6,000 to treat. This bill has already been paid by TLNA, which was approximately \$1,000 more than was estimated because the trees have grown and required more treatment.
 - Tyler requested that TLNA use \$1,000 from the general fund budget to cover the difference between the expected and actual amount. Martha seconded, all approved.
 - Several individuals are interested in the council starting to think about how we want to handle these particular Ash trees in three years, whether we want to do a fundraiser to continue treating them, or consider replacing the trees.
- Martha-Budget Report-TLNA has ~\$26,000 in the bank account, \$5,000 in a CD.
 - Recently donated \$1,000 to the Lapham School gardener in residence program and are planning to make a donation to the local schools soon as well.
- **Bob H.-**A new nail salon is expected to open in the old Fontaine location on East Johnson St.
- Marta-Taste of Tenney is soon, looking for volunteers. She sent around a volunteer sign up sheet.
- **Patrick**-The steering committee discussing the Messner site will have a report out soon. Stonehouse Development has changed the proposal for the other half of the Lyric block and

now is considering a new arts center and a residential building. More information on that proposal will be available soon.

- Jessi-Newsletter content deadline is two days from now.
- **Jonny**-The traffic pattern was dramatically impacted by the flooding, especially because of bike path closures.
 - He requests that TLNA write a letter requesting crossing guards and school crossing signs at Washington and Baldwin and Washington and Ingersoll.
 - Parent/Teacher groups and neighborhood groups from TLNA and MNA are interested in forming a transportation safety team in partnership with the city that could bring recommendations to other stakeholders in the area.
 - Bob H. made a motion that TLNA write a letter of support for crossing guards and signage at Washington and Baldwin and Washington and Ingersoll. All are in favor, motion passes.
 - Bob H. made a motion that TLNA empower the transportation committee to represent TLNA on other transportation safety teams and report to the council about these teams' progress. All are in favor, motion passes.
- Richard-TLNA has 64 additional paid up members since the last meeting.
- **Patti**-Reminder that the October meeting will be dedicated to discussion of the Messner site proposal.

Adjourn

• Senay moves to adjourn, seconded