

TLNA Annual Meeting Minutes
13 November 2014 7:00-9:00pm
Location: The Constellation

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 by Paul Creswell, TLNA Secretary

Chair Person: Patty Prime

Next Scheduled Meeting: December 11th, 2014 at the Constellation Meeting Room

Agenda:	Actions/Discussion
1. Call to order	1. Convened at 7:00pm with President Patty Prime chairing.
2. Welcome	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ledell passed around the Madison Magazine on account of the Eastsiders who were making the press. 2. Patty welcomes everyone to the meeting and introduces the council members 3. Ground rules are posted. Purpose: Improve the neighborhood, foresee trends, engage in planning, promote discussion, educate residents, & Advocate for programs in the neighborhood's best interest. 4. Movement to approve the minutes. Minutes were approved unanimously
3. Officer Report – Andre Lewis	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Via an e-mail from Officer Lewis: “I was going to discuss the recent car thefts in the neighborhood. I was going to tell everyone to make sure their car doors are locked. I was also going to inform them that we are in the process of trying to get a loaner car and place electronic equipment with gps tracking inside of them. This way we could leave the vehicle unlocked and if the items were stolen we would be able to track the people responsible for the theft.” 2. “We will be attending the Johnson St opening tomorrow and if anyone has any questions for me to please come up and ask me.”
4. Salvatore's Tomato Pies – Patrick DePula	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Salvatore’s is seeking support for a liquor license. They are currently planning on opening in about 10 days. For the moment, there will be evening hours only. Considering lunch and can do outside seating. 2. There will be bicycle delivery. A “Trek Transport” will be available and they are now hiring. There are vegetarian and vegan options. There will be samples tomorrow from 6-8 at Wilke chiropractic. 3. Motion in support of Salvatore's to have a liquor license. The motion is seconded. 4. Discussion: how many liquor licenses in the immediate area? Alcohol sales are 8% of gross -- strictly complementary to food. No problems with regards to liquor licenses in the area in recent years. Mr. DuPula has met with Madison police and they thought things were in order. 5. Motion to support Salvatore’s in pursuit of their liquor license is passed unanimously.
5. Ash trees – Tyler Lark	1. Tyler sought to gauge if people are interested in ‘adopting’ ash trees in TLN. Trees that hat aren't adopted will not be saved or treated. TLN has

	<p>approximately 400 trees.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Guest speakers spoke regarding the situation in TLN. First, there is a question of how soon we should act if we are going to. All of our parks are in the Isthmus District. They have not found it in our district yet. As such, preemptive strikes are not happening in our area yet. In other places, they are starting to take out even healthy trees. Our parks should be ok until spring – which is when we can also identify them. 3. Eastmorland folks have started a campaign to raise awareness. Green ribboning is a project that has been started and is successful in raising awareness of how many trees will be affected. Ashes are the majority of the trees in Tenney Park. 4. There is question as to whether or not the treatment, should trees be adapted, will even work. It will cost \$250 a tree and will last 2-3 years. At this point it appears that the trees in other places in Wisconsin (i.e. Milwaukee area) have been doing well with the treatment. 5. Ms. Alexander: getting rid of all of them would decimate the population of ash would be really bad -- on the other hand we don't want to keep them around forever. We can let some go and let others come in over time. The suggestion is to adopt 10-12 trees. 6. Motion by Tyler: Address the problem targeting early spring and setting up a committee to look at this specific to parks. Emily and Matt second. 7. The motion passes. 8. Tyler will be forming the committee.
<p>6. Bike Polo in Reynolds Park – Johnny Hunter</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Madison Bike Polo Group has been playing at Reynolds Park for about 10 years. They've been working with the city to get a court for a while. It is now built (in the right place) on the south side of the water utility. The city/water utility wanted an MOU and the bike polo group is not an incorporated group. The bike polo group is appealing to TLNA for support in signing the MOU. 2. Precedent exists for this sort of situation: The Friends of Crawly Station sought to put up planters and etc... and got the local neighborhood association to sign on as a long-term group in an MOU with the city. 3. One consideration is whether or not if TLNA signed on as this group the organization should consider getting insurance. This may be of use even beyond this specific situation. Currently, the tennis courts do not require insurance because it's an official and sanctioned sport according to the parks department. Whereas bike polo is not. Ledell has been talking with Eric Knepp – Ledell is optimistic that BP could become a sanctioned sport. However, it will not happen overnight. Currently, the bike polo players might play there and that could create a problem. Patty thinks that we could get all of our events covered for \$300 a year. It will cover our events -- protecting the city. Johnny is willing to cover this price. Alternatively, it could be worked into the TLNA budget. 4. Patrick Heck: Should we check in with other neighborhood associations to find out about what the insurance situation is? 5. Discussion points (general) Richard Linster: This represents a policy

	<p>change that would be different than anything since 1976. Steve: maybe we need to get the insurance for other things -- we should definitely discuss. It does appear that they expect us to be liable. So, that's important to keep in mind. Patty: two separate issues, really: 1) bike polo, and 2) liability insurance. Support for bike polo is interesting and keeps the neighborhood. Jessi: if the parks drop the moratorium then it's not an issue. Could bike polo get an LLC? Johnny: The city is more interested working with neighborhood associations. Wilke: want to support it, but we need to think about it and fully understand the implications. Johnny: the question is whether or not the court that we built caused any injury and that whether or not the court will be damaged.</p> <p>6. Patty seeks volunteers to work with her and to figure out what to do by the next TLNA meeting. Steve, Pat, Tyler, & Paul volunteer.</p>
<p>7. Bike Bouevard Issue - - Bob Klebba</p>	<p>1. Working on the East Mifflin Bicycle Boulevard. There really isn't anything in on the BB that is "traffic calming". With the increased density in the neighborhood protecting the BB is important. There was an article in the newsletter. Bob distributed list at the September meeting and talked about different features at different point in the BB.</p> <p>2. Bob would like 2-4 people to review what has been done and to present that to the TLNA in December and then work with Ledell and traffic engineering to start a dialog with the city. This group will review what has been done up to this point, bring it to TLNA, and then get approval to move forward. After that, a public meeting to discuss changes should happen – possibly in April or May. If we can get things into the city budget next year and implemented 2016 and 2017 etc...</p> <p>3. Discussion: Patrick Heck: Did the current traffic calming features require budgeting and planning ahead? Ledell: Yes they did and they were planned far in advance. Tyler: What about speed bumps and are those easier to get approved? Kevin: An application has to go into the city and get signatures from half of the people in the area, then a study is done, and then another half the people have to say yes, then it gets stuck in the "sometime in the future" basket. Thus, we should be organized. Sherman put in speed bumps, on Marston there was a vote against it. Ledell: the people around the area may be resistant in some ways. Bob: yes, we want as much buy-in as possible.</p> <p>4. A group is formed to begin the review process. This group includes: Bob Klebba, Bill H., Kevin, Jessi, & Andrew Matthews</p>
<p>8. Executive committee</p>	<p>1. Patty motions to form a new executive committee of Steve Wilke, Pat Heck, and Tyler Lark. Emergency issues would be handled by this committee. The motion is seconded. Tyler is willing to do it, but is also willing to be bumped. Kevin has bumped.</p> <p>2. A new executive committee is approved unanimously. The committee will include Steve Wilke, Pat Heck, and Kevin.</p>
<p>9. Listserv</p>	<p>1. Patty asks if current members of the council want to moderate the listserv. Steve Wilke asks what the current guidelines are. Patty says that the current guidelines are: 1) be nice, 2) no selling, & 3) no campaigning.</p>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Sue and Matt have volunteered to be moderators.
<p>10. Development chair report – Patrick Heck</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pat is filling the big shoes of David Waugh who filled these shoes for a number of years and did an excellent job. 2. The dairy proposal is stalled. Stonehouse may alter their plan and it is probably not going to be soon. So, we'll see what comes forward in the spring or summer. If so, the steering committee would be re-convened. 3. Reynolds Crane lot: Ledell, Patty, and Pat met with Terrence Wall who is interested in doing 2-300 market rate apartments. Meeting on Wednesday December 3rd 7:30pm at Lapham School. Postcards will go around. At that meeting the usual process will be followed -- a steering committee will be formed and we go from there. It is likely that Mr. Wall will try to push it through quickly. If he is going with the design that was previously passed he may think it's going to go through faster. The council should be engaged as it only passed by one vote. The neighborhood plan was amended to allow the density that was desired by that developer. Richard Linster mentioned that the zoning change was requested by the city.
<p>11. Parks update</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tenney Park is slated to get a new playground next year. The 'bathhouse' playground is going to be the one they look at. Someone from the Parks Dept will be here to discuss this and the shoreline project at a future meeting. Around the lagoon, some of the shore head is in need of fixing. As such, they're planning on draining the lagoon to fix this. 2. There is potential for a "Friends of Tenney Park" to be formed by Bob Shaw and others. 3. James Tye led one around James Madison Park. James was the former parks chair and now works for the Clean Lakes Alliance. There are dollars in the budget from the sale of the houses in James Madison Park. There is also some money for a master plan and the new superintendent is supporting a re-envisioning of that park. There's also money for 2017 to re-do the shelter. The master plan is being looked at with regards to the whole park and how it's used. The east side isn't heavily used and there are ideas for things like community garden or Dog Park. Even without the master plan, there might still be a couple of things that could be put in – like benches. However, the budgetary outlay is not 'use it or lose it'. 4. In Tenney Park the lagoon project also contains a redo of the bike path. Will be a bike path increased to 10 feet at least and they are looking at ways to connect between. May be lighting added to the path as well. The upcoming meeting with the Parks Dept may give us an opportunity to get nature-esq playground equipment etc.... 5. A kiosk idea has been proposed for Reynolds Park (when are pick-up games etc...) as well as lights on the other side of Reynolds Park. 6. The idea is floated of Tyler meeting with the Friends groups to target work on these upcoming developments. 7. Patty: forming committees with regards to specific developments are good, but it might be worth talking about setting up other committees by e-mail or etc... No formal process. Tyler will be in touch with the

	<p>Friends group and then create a committee with all Friends people and then community members or council members.</p>
<p>12. Other chair reports</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vice President: Steve has nothing to report at this time. 2. Secretary: Paul has nothing to report at this time. 3. Area Rep B: Sarah Herrick has nothing to report at this time. 4. Social chair: Matt discusses that under social and membership there are two sub-committees. We currently have 285 members + raising over 3,000 a year in membership. He sees something that is working well and would like to keep that going and be active to build on that. For example, being in the constellation, we have a lot of new people who are living here. He is interested also in terms of surveying the neighborhood/membership to see what the priorities are. With regards to the social aspect of the position, Jessica Becker and Cheryl Balazs are going to be working with him on these. This includes the spring meeting, the summer block party, and the fall annual meeting. They are looking for venues (e.g., Christ Presbyterian Church, Tenney Pavilion, and/or the Lapham School). They are also working on smaller events that are sponsored or co-joined by TLNA. This includes the chicken coop tour, garage sale, backyard bash at the Wallners etc... Other place-making activities – it's worth considering the new neighborhood grants program. 5. Treasurer: Emily Reynolds mentions new neighborhood grants program as well which is being instituted in response to requests for funds from TLNA for various community efforts in the previous year. The current balance \$12,143.59. The budget from last year will go around next meeting. Emily will bring neighborhood grant applications and will write a piece for the newsletter. Emily seeks to put the grant form in the newsletter so that neighborhood folks are aware and can access it. Patrick Heck asks what the process will be for these grants. Emily replies that there will be a budget committee set up and this will work to approve the applications that come in. 6. Housing: Keith is endorsing a tear-down of a building on Gorham Street. The fire department has put holes in the roof etc... Now it's an eyesore, basically. They are trying to sell it for \$350,000.
<p>13. Jam on Johnson – Steve Wilke & Nik Simonson</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nik would like to thank the people who worked on the Turn on Johnson campaign. The big event is tomorrow (November 14th). The newly formed business association will be putting on drinks and food etc... Attendees can win a gift-basket worth as much as \$1500. Attendees will have to go to 10 businesses and get stamps on your passports. Yelp Madison will be there. Gift wrapping and music. The Mayor will be there at 3:45 and a ribbon cutting etc. Steve Wilke will be saying something. Five acts will be performing. Garland in front of the shops is going to going up next week including ribbons on the light polls. 2. Paul inquires of the group as to whether or not there will be bike-racks in front of the bike shop on Johnson post-construction. Kevin mentions that there will be some going in and there will likely be more than there previously had been.

<p>14. Alder's Report – Ledell Zellers</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ledell reports on the 800 block of East Washington. City got one proposal: Gebhardt's. Johnny Hunter will be involved (teaching & food). The committee did approve the next step going forward: putting together more detailed proposals and plans for that. 2. Ad Hoc Landmarks Ordinance Review Committee. This committee and the ordinance rewrite will have significant impact on historic districts. Ledell has been trying to attend the meetings even though she is not on the committee. She is not able to attend the one on November 20 but will be at the one on the 8th. David Mollenhoff has been involved providing input to the committee (He wrote: Madison: A History of the Formative Years). Jim Matson (Attorney with expertise in writing ordinances) and Kitty Rankin (Former Madison Preservation Planner) are also involved providing input. 3. The city budget is going forward; however, the Mayor may veto the budget. There are some discussions going on tomorrow. There is an increase in the Small Cap TIF dollars. They had an amazing turnout for the program. So far, only a couple people are taking advantage. But there definitely appears to be large amount of interest. 4. Money was included in the 2015 budget for a study of the Cap East District to locate a spot or spots for a city parking ramp. If all goes very smoothly such a ramp could be built in 2017. Ledell and Marsha Rummel sponsored the budget amendment to include this initiative. Money for 'undergrounding' stayed in -- the next step for this to go forward is for approval at the Joint Review Board made up of representatives from the city, county, MATC and the school district. This will be controversial. The public market remained in the budget, in spite of an amendment to take it out. A change to that amendment instead of removing the Public Market, emphasizes that a business plan must be done prior to purchasing land which is not a substantive change since it was already part of an earlier resolution. The proposed site is the area of 1st Street and East Washington with a Park Street location as a backup. Information is on the city website. 5. There has been a healthy discussion on the listserv -- Ledell is happy to take your e-mail's as well if you aren't comfortable with the listserv
<p>14. President's Report – Patty Prime</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Patty attended the public market workshop and she found it very enlightening. 2. Planning meeting. December 4th appears to be the optimal night. 10 people are already available. First Thursday in December. 3. Also, Patty would like to have a meeting with the area reps so that we can keep with newsletters rolling and the social events in people's mind. 4. Pat suggests that committee members may wish to send reports to Paul (secretary) ahead of time.
<p>15. Adjournment</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm