TLNA Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Title	Tenney Lapham Neighborhood Council Board of Directors Meeting	
Date	12/13/12	
Time	7 p.m.	
Place	Tenney Park Apartments, 302 N. Baldwin Street	
In Attendance		

In Attendance	Internal:	Joe Lusson, Denise Breyne, David Panofsky, Gerrit Conger, Jessi Mulhall, Patty Prime, Bryan Post, Richard Linster, Keith Wessel, Michael Ryanjoy, James Tye, Lia Vellardeta, Tim Olsen, Thuy Nguyen, David Wallner, David Waugh
	Visitors:	Lori Wessel, Ryan Vergeront, Christopher Gosch, Ledell Zellers, Patrick Heck, Heidi Wegleitner, Terrence Wall, Sarah Gillmore, Bridget Maniaci, Colin Bowden, Lonnie Richardson, Officer Chad Crose, Officer Trent Scanlon

Absent		
	Internal:	Gwen Johnson, Gay Davidson-Zielske, Patrick McDonnell, Annabelle Potvin, Pat Smith
	External:	

Minutes Submitted By	Denise Breyne

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02~p.m. by Joe Lusson , having provided due notice of the meeting and with a quorum present.

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved with no discussion.

3. Guests

Sarah Gillmore - Warming shelter As of December 13, there have been no police calls about users of the day shelter. There are about 143 users during the day since November 6. The model they are using is a community model that requires users of the shelter to participate in running the shelter.

The social service agencies providing services at the shelter are: Road Home, Tellurian, Centro Hispano, Omega School and nursing staff from Meriter Health.

Lunch is provided, as well as food throughout the day. Closing at 4:30.

There are AA meetings daily, creative writing, 2 spirituality groups.

A community justice team meets 2 times per week, mandatory group meetings 1 time per week.

Preventative and proactive mental health crisis support

10 solid volunteers.

Multiple walks around the block by volunteers.

Users are mostly men and 3 families have used the shelter.

Council members have toured the facility. Overall, people were very impressed with the shelter and moved by the experiences of the users. The place had a very positive atmosphere.

Michael Ryanjoy has been volunteering at the shelter. He stated that the shelter is truly impressive and he is hoping that the community is fair to Sarah Gillmore. His opinion is that time and money would help significantly.

David Wallner asked Sarah that if the shelter is well run will County Executive Joe Parisi go back on his commitment to finding a different, permanent solution?

Heidi Weigleitner responded that, though it is an ideal space, the county executive had guaranteed it would not be a permanent location. The lease will not be renewed and the building is for sale.

Heidi's amendment for \$600,000 for a permanent shelter went through. Concerns about location should go to the city and county.

Michael Ryanjoy made a motion to vote on council drafting a letter to articulate the needs of the day shelter, including suggestions for improvements for the temporary facility. Letter to county, copy city.

Issues to address in letter:

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- After three weeks there was still only one functioning computer. Needs to be follow through on promise.
- Food is day to day. They are relying on donations.
- A funding source needs to be identified for getting people identification.
- Commitment from county agencies to visit the center on a regular, predictable basis, and provide services.

Tim and Michael volunteered to email a letter though the list serve about getting used computers and volunteers to rehab them.

Marquette Neighborhood Organization has not been involved with shelter. TLNA has had most involved questions, concerns and volunteer power.

Letter will include copy to Marquette Neighborhood Organization.

All in favor-unanimous

Heidi Weigleitner

Aging and disability resource center open. No income limits. Created 45 new jobs. New landfill recycling program will expand Clean Sweep. Green technology built in. Introduced amendment for domestic partner benefits.

4. Report of Neighborhood Officer

Trent Scanlon is back from light duty after an injury and attended the meeting with Chad Crose, the Alcohol License Liaison. Officer Scanlon will be with us until February, when a new neighborhood officer will be assigned. Officer Scanlon apologized for the lack of consistency due to his medical issues. Once the new officer takes over the neighborhood should have consistent service.

They are in the process of a major change over so getting case information is difficult. All neighborhood liaisons will be on same computer system when complete.

Mugging on Williamson-no arrests- Victim is an employee of Roman Candle and was not injured. Was an isolated incident.

Michael Ryanjoy asked if Sue Krauss could be our new liaison in February. She is not a neighborhood liaison, so she will not. She is a community officer. Getting her involved is a great idea. She is very well respected in the department and it will not be stepping on the new liaison's toes.

5. Comments of President

Joe - discuss what TLNA would like to see on 800 Block E. Washington Joe Lusson, David Wallner and Bridgette Maniaci are on committee for 800 block. The first meeting was December 4.

Question discussed by us somewhat during original RFP process.

New development be a source of well paying jobs and have a positive impact on Breese Stevens, etc.

Wallner noted that current 800 block committee chair Tom Landgraf said from the developer's perspective, neighborhood suggestions should not be mushy and emotional, they should be specific.

Others comments-grocery; amending, not adding ideas; previous process did not work, want open process

Tim Olsen-thinks this is a tremendous opportunity. The land is worth a lot so it is will need a fair amount of density. Should enhance and protect bike corridor. Great opportunity for a mixed use environment. Could help with parking for Breese. Rental space is limited in city.

David Waugh -

Should be an emphasis on plans already in place being a starting point and then make it better.

Requiring whole lot proposals might not be the right approach. Instead do a little bit at a time. Allow partial lot proposals.

Discussion-

Joe L. strong community pressure would be needed to alter current committee's commitment to full-lot proposals,

David Wallner- are we setting up for failure? parking good idea

Specificity important

Patty agrees w/David about full-lot approach

Michael-traffic flow- recognize and reward proposal that includes semis entering on E

Washington, not Mifflin Day care provider as tenant would make neighborhood more attractive.

James Tye-should not necessarily be same owners but same developer

Robert (don't think we have a Robert)..this was probably guest Ryan V – Great opportunity to add density. Increase rental and owners. Fulfill community needs and increase ownership.

Patty suggested branch library. David Wallner said it is not likely with new central library and other close branches.

Patrick Heck-a living wage is important, mixed wage, most people seem to want density but shouldn't rely entirely on Epic people

Terrance Wall -vacancy rate in Madison is lowest in the U.S.

Peak was 2600 developed, need 1800 per year

7 year dearth of new development, need to get back on trend line of 1800, another 10 years to get back to normal vacancy rate

10% vacancy rate gives negotiating power

Collin Bowden (President of State and Langdon Association, running for alder)

Affordable housing is an issue. There is a need for housing and rates are going up. Are we pricing people out that have lived here for years?

David P. echoes Tim's thoughts. Wants whatever is built to encourage biking and walking.

Terrence Wall, east side developer-will submit a plan for RFP, plan in progress

Key to start construction in summer, build in winter, open in summer

6. Reports of Officers and Committees

-Richard L. November 25 area reps met

Area rep roles-distribute newsletter and membership

Database has been updated

Contacts for block captains

January 6, next membership committee meeting, Richard will give vacancy update

- -Jessi M. December 15 is newsletter deadline, will be distributed in January
- -Thuy-safety meeting in October

Officer Dolsen answered questions

If you have something stolen, file a report no matter how small it is

Register bikes

Mifflin and Ingersol did not have mugging, altercation between woman and ex-boyfriend

-David Waugh

Concerns about proposed Reynolds crane lot development (700 block between Mifflin and Dayton)- views, park, low-rise, others have concerns about high density and not following neighborhood plan

Council should try to be involved, prepared to vote as early as January

Striving for compromise

Randy Bruce (architect working for developer) indicated they want to submit in January and get neighborhood input before that.

7. Unfinished Business

Volunteers for Executive Council-

Thuy Nyguen, Michael Ryanjoy, and David Panofsky

Richard motioned to approve, Tim seconded

Unanimous approval

Executive committee – Joe Lusson, Lia Vellardita, Patty Prime, Denise Breyne, Thuy Nyguen, Michael Ryanjoy, and David Panofsky

2nd Thursday still a good day for meetings according to council member survey.

Date to be set for a January meeting for members to get to know one another. Will meet at 6:00 or 6:30 for socializing and dinner at Collin's House, Thursday, Jan. 17.

8. New Business

Aldermanic candidate forum on February 7, will try to do Christ Presbyterian.

Smart meters coming, need volunteer to find out when.

New TLNA council Google groups for internal discussions = tlna-council@googlegroups.com Christ Church fellowship hall (community room) will be inaccessible from April 1 to November 1, 2013

Mildred's sandwich shop for sale.

9. Alder. Report

Johnson Public House wants to expand upstairs.

Parks-Shelter at James Madison and playground

An Evaluation of the shelter must be done for code requirements regarding improvements.

Joe suggested a sub-committee on parks so everyone is on the same page.

James Tye will found a Friends of James Madison Park

\$225,000 in potential funding for JMP will be available soon from sale of houses in the park.

Community garden-ball is in Community Action Coalition's court, according to Parks Dept staff.

Where to put the money? Garden, shelter, engage the neighborhood at meeting in January

Explore kiosk at James Madison Park

Reynolds playground-evaluate further

Church was not granted fireworks permit for Christmas eve. Parks Commission voted 4-3 against due to environmental concerns.

10. Adjournment

Richard moved to adjourn and Denise seconded adjournment of the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.