

TLNA Minutes

Tenney Lapham Neighborhood Association Council Meeting

January 10, 2013

7:00 PM

Tenney Park Apartments, 302 N. Baldwin St.

In Attendance

Internal: Joe Lusson, Denise Breyne, Patty Prime, Bryan Post, Gwen Johnson, Pat McDonnell, Tim Olsen, Gerrit Conger, Jessi Mulhall, Thuy Nguyen, David Waugh, James Tye, Richard Linster, David Wallner, Lia Vellardita, David Panofsky, Michael Ryanjoy

External: Alder Bridget Maniaci, Matt Mikolajewski (City of Madison Economic Development Division), Ledell Zellers (District 2 Alder Candidate), Matt Gerding, Rachel Harview, Paul Ellison, Nathan Germain (Residents)

Absent

Gay Davidson-Zielske, Annabelle Potvin, Pat Smith, Keith Wessel

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Joe Lusson, having provided due notice of the meeting and with a quorum present.

2. Approval of Minutes

Richard Linster moved to approve the minutes of the December 13 meeting, seconded by Lia Vellardita. All voted in favor.

3. Welcome and Introduction of guests

4. Report of Neighborhood Officer

Officer Trent Scanlon did not attend due to business out of town. Joe Lusson shared Officer Scanlon's input. There are no major issues in the neighborhood at this time.

Officer Scanlon had asked Sue Krause for input and she said they have seen some domestic issues at River's Edge, they are monitoring traffic at Lapham School, using laser for speeders.

Gerritt Conger shared a concern that he wanted our neighborhood officer to discuss. It was about what happened at 213 N Brearly on Jan 1 about 6:00 pm. There was a large police presence on our his block for over 4 hours and he believes that someone was taken to the hospital, Also a squad car was left overnight.

5. Madison Sustainability Commerce Center

Matt Mikolajewski from the city of Madison Economic Development Division shared the vision for the Madison Sustainability and Commerce Center.

50,000-70,000 square feet

in the Tenney Lapham or Marquette neighborhood
to house green and sustainable businesses
a sustainable building that will serve as a model project and be used to engage the
community

Received a \$300,000 HUD grant for a feasibility study and they are in the process of
determining tenant demand and cost

Dorschner Associates has been hired to consult on tenant demand and how the center
could help Madison businesses and those in other areas of the state.

Baker Tilly is looking at the numbers and will provide 3 different options and costs.

All are welcome to a presentation of the feasibility study on Tuesday, February 12.

Time and location to be determined.

A draft version will be presented on January 25 at 9AM

Neighborhood input is wanted. They want to know how they can serve the broader
community and

They want to partner with a private developer to locate and develop a site along East
Washington Ave.

Parameters-Capital East district

1st St. to Capital Square on East Washington

Could have a 15,000 to 20,000 square foot floor plate, a couple of stories.

There could be modules that can be changed based on site.

There is nothing like this in Wisconsin. Other centers like the one being proposed are
the Green Exchange in Chicago and the Solar Info Center in Freiburg, Germany.

A green wall is an option.

Will be owned by a for-profit entity.

There is possibility for adaptive reuse. Patrick McDonnell suggested the old Mautz
building on Paterson and East Wash. Hybrid center-reuse older building and new
construction. Showcase of multiple technologies.

Possible tenants-energy related industries, non-profits, engineers, architects, attorneys,
consultants, primarily office space

There is a possibility of a cafe.

How to incorporate evening use to be considered. Offices by day, community space in
evening.

6. E. Johnson Street 2014 construction planning

Tim Olsen

Construction will take place from Butler to Baldwin

Will remain one-way

Tim encourages board to be proactive in encouraging enhancement of the residential
quality of the area. He provided a list of proactive ideas.

Would like to see people to assert themselves in crosswalks because cars are required
to stop if someone is in the street.

Would like the TLNA board to support a red flag program. Program would be
perception changing. Increase pedestrian traffic which in turn would help local
businesses.

Discussion of two-way traffic leading to more economic development. Matt

Mikolajewski stated that there is not a clear correlation between direction and economic

development. The issue is to make it accessible to pedestrians.

James Tye brought up the tree canopy on East Johnson as a big part of living there.

Wants to preserve the aesthetics.

Patrick McDonnell stated that the city included a caveat that they will not build anything that will prevent later change to 2-way

Joe L. - the issue now is to keep businesses alive.

Matt M. - Willy St. Businesses fared well during construction. Saw a 5-10% reduction in business but a 15-20% reduction was predicted. This was due to their preparations and a concerted effort by the community to visit the businesses.

Bridget's update on E. Johnson. City will only plant large canopy trees if electrical wires are put underground which costs about \$1 million per block. Large trees can be planted with bump outs for root systems but that would interfere with future change to 2-way traffic.

Timetable for decision making is next 3 months.

E. Johnson will stay open during construction but bike lane will be switched.

Would like to see different paving for business district to make it stand out.

Joe L. - committee to work with Bridget Maniaci - Tim Olsen, Gwen Johnson, Joe Lussion, James Tye

Tim Olsen- Motioned that neighborhood association support red flags at cross walks if neighbors volunteer and complete application. Someone seconded motion.

Discussion of motion

Michael Ryanjoy - will bolster our case for more intensive traffic calming by showing that we have attempted with other less costly measures.

David Waugh - Concerned that red flags on busy streets could create a dangerous situation for children. Would they think they could just run out on a busy street as long as they were carrying a flag?

David Wallner suggested another committee to deal with it.

Patrick McDonnell thought we should have Cheryl Wittke share data at another meeting.

James Tye - Flag program would be a message to the city that we are making an effort.

Vote on the motion-passed with 1 nay

7. Reports of Officers and Committees.

Gerritt Conger - Requested \$55.90 for 2,000 newsletter bags. Approved

David Waugh

700 block Reynolds Crane lot, no news

David Wallner - at contentious Parks Commission meeting the previous evening, Brittingham community gardens were discussed and approved. Parks Commission also approved a new series of community garden guidelines that will formalize the approval process

James Tye - there is a general neighborhood interest in forming a Friends of James Madison Park

David Panofsky - Principal of Lapham interested in meeting with TLNA, would host a tea. He will contact her and discuss the format.

Gwen Johnson - This is a slow time for businesses - Please support them!.

8. Unfinished Business

- a. January 17 council goal setting session, 6:30 PM
no regular business, team building and goal setting
David Waugh hosting at Collins House, 704 E Gorham. There will be pizza and beverages. Executive council made a plan, Patty Prime will be facilitating.
- b. February 7, aldermanic candidate forum at Christ Presbyterian
6:30-8:30 PM

9. Report of Elected Officials

Alder Maniaci

January 23, meeting on Dayton St. reconstruction, 800-1100 blocks Dayton
0-200 North Brearly to Livingston
cost estimates on James Madison shelter and gardens- CAC
need someone to lead
Thuy will contact Joe Mathers about community garden.
Needs to happen fast.
There will be no terracing for the garden.

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:05.