

March 14, 2013

7pm, 302 N. Baldwin

Council members present: Patty Prime, Richard Linster, Jessi Mulhall, Gerrit Conger, David Panofsky, David Waugh, Lori and Keith Wessel, Joe Lusson, David Wallner, Gwen Johnson, Gay Davidson-Zielske, James Tye, Pat McDonnell, Bryan Post, Michael Ryanjoy

Visitors: Don Jones, Sherman Ave, Jean Espenshade, Sherman Ave, Aaron Martinek, Tommy Stanek, ATeam Constructin, Maria Stefan, 939 e Dayton, Ron Dorsch, Dennis and Kathy Rinze, Dayton street, Kirk Keller, Plunkett Raysich Architects, Tyler Warner, T. Wall ent., Taylor Brengel, T. Wall ent, Chad Whiteside, UFCW Local 1473, Heidi Wiegleitner, Jake Germann, Stu Hall Rechelderfer, Bridget Maniaci

Linster move to approve minutes

Patrick second

Passed unanimously

Report from Andrei Lewis, new neighborhood liason police officer

Nothing pressing to report. There are homeless people living out of their cars around the 900 block east Mifflin . One individual was caught taking copper from the constellation construction site. Recommends getting to know these individuals. There is no law against sleeping there. Officer Lewis asked if we have block captains that would know if someone new moved in. Answer was no official welcome committee. Lots of turnover, about 70% rentals.

Gay Davidson –Zielske indicated she was accosted 2 years ago at Johnson and Ingersoll , grabbed her purse and she hasn't felt safe since. Would like to see more officer presence.

Officer Lewis responded that police patrol problem areas. Won't see them on patrol here unless problems develop.

James Tye, lives near James Madison Park, would like a proactive park walk plan, problem areas, and regular areas.

Officer Lewis indicated they are looking at proactive biking – police on bikes.

Would like to ride to school with kids on school bike to work day May 8th.

Pat McDonnell: month to month issues things come and go. Some buildings are a problem. Then they get resolved. Occasionally see trouble spots. JMP summer wave of itinerant youth, some drug abuse and drinking – not every year.

939 e. Dayton

Resident Maria Stefan lost her garage when a tree fell on it. Wants to rebuild but include an apartment for her special needs adult son. Will need a permit for tear down of old garage. Tried to contact all neighboring property owners, left messages, two neighbors support. Next door neighbor concerned about loss of light to their garden. There is a time element for insurance claim. Feb. 26th alder approved as long as it fit the guidelines.

Neighbor next door talked to bridget and it is a conditional use. They have lived 37 years in the house. Gardener for many years, concerned this will cast a large shadow. Also, the windows would face their 3 season room that they use year round. Would feel compelled to shut the shades. Privacy issue. Would be interested in a one story solution.

Addition is 700 sq. feet.

Gay: Is there a space in the house that could be configured: no

Would it become a rental if it doesn't work out? The house would become her sons.

Bridget: do you meet the usable open space. Driveway and things don't count. Builder: believes it will.

Bridget: matt tucker indicated the zoning leaves leeway because conditions different between neighborhoods. Requirements about pitch, requirements about architecture.

David wallner: lets not take a position until it is further along. Will be an opportunity in city committees.

Question: when are you trying to time a submittal. – insurance deadline is December, trying to coordinate with street reconstruction.

James: agrees too early. Important to think about what type of neighborhood we want.

Patrick: does conditional use go to full council? Bridget thinks maybe just plan commission. Bridget said allowed because of owner occupied.

David W. asked petitioner to gather more feedback from all property owners, try to work with neighbors too.

Christ Presbyterian Church remodel update:

Glenn: start construction april 1 done December 1, will be a lakeroom adjacent to the church that could be a meeting room for TLNA. Lived n hood for 35 yers. Jake is youth director.

Jake: Youth comes down and uses tenney park. Participated in earth day challenge. Did invasive trimming the prior fall. Looking to do it again this year. But expand it to the community. Reserved the pavilion 10-3. 10-noon work, then noon-3 do a cookout for the volunteers. Working with parks.

Concerned about group being too large. Will do garbage pickup, invasive species trimming, suggested to branch off to burr jones if large crowd. Also flower gardens are an opportunity if people can invest longer term time. Still developing. Promoting it through the church. Can show up, can bring tools, some volunteers working on the cookout, meat and non meat. Interested to know if the neighborhood would be interested in partnering. Joint promotion.

Gay: Have worked with ed jepsen –friends of Yahara Parkway?

Dave Wallner: no matter what the activity, needs to be in collaboration with friends and the park dept.

James Tye: met with yahara river parkway and they are interested. Clean lakes alliance would be interested.

James Tye motion: tlna formerly co sponsor eath day challenge with .

Gay second

Garret: friendly amendment to pitch in \$100

Patty: any tie in to butterfly garden?

Pat: are friends sponsoring anything, or interested in participating?

Jake will check.

Richard asked to separate the donation. Donation removed.

Passed unanimously.

Also, every Sunday CPB collects underwear for lapham school.

800 block status update

Small turnout at public hearing. March 20, 7-9 public presentation at Baldwin apartments. Developers will present. 15 minutes each developer. Next committee march 21st, with vote april 4th.

David wallner: this will be hard because all 3 are great. Next meeting is dealing with financials. How much tif etc.

David P. : do any have the sustainability center

Bridget: no, but gebhard has a version

David Wallner: all three have green elements

James: can we get another meeting location

Bridget: will try for the pavilion

Richard: attended last two meetings, most attendees are developers, concerned of the meetings dragging on too long. Timing was bad at the 5:30PM dinner time.

David: how can we decide if we want to take a position

Joe: timeline makes it tough. The financial info will not be made public until after the rfp decision.

To facilitate , joe turned chair over to patty prime

Patrick: should we form a small group of individuals that can inform the rest. Perhaps give a ranking.

David P.: we should provide being positive.

Patrick: form an adhoc subcommittee after the public presentation meet an offer a possible recommendation for the whole council to give to the selection committee.

Second: linster

Volunteers: james, david p, david w., Jessie, Richard, patty,

Motion passed unanimously

Joe took back the chair:

Committee reports:

James: parks, yahara parkway group was asked by city to think about a new yahara parkway gateway study. With more development near the river, how do we want to see the park evolve.

Patrick: for Tim Olsen on e Johnson reconstruction. Should look at undergrounding utilities as an investment to revitalize the street. What is the cost benefit analysis and how it relates to long term investment in the neighborhood. Would like the neighborhood association to get involved and possibly be advocates.

Bridget: need to start advocating now. Staff is saying too expensive. 1 million per 1000 feet. Would need to get the mayor on board.

Patrick: our challenge is political

Dave wallner: probably too expensive. Not likely worth the effort.

Patrick: disagrees, there is a separate mechanism to fund gateway streets.

Joe: suggests putting it on the april agenda. Pat will reconvene the e. Johnson group.

David P.: Michael Richard patty denise and David P. met with the school to try to reconnect with lapham. School mentioned partnership with dept. of health has had a pen pal relationship with the school. David P. is active in the PTG. They are a good conduit of information for the school.

Garrett on newsletter : normally printer sends a few more than 2200. This time they did not. Can we go to 2300 because we are short? Should get delivered before the election. Patty has a table of all the block captains.

David Wallner: appreciates the write up that Gay did about the live music house events.

Heidi: talked about sustainability in the newsletter . since then, county exec created climate change action council to help with emergency preparedness. New clear lakes task force. Sequestration loses \$500,000 . county . looking at a programmatic review of management salaries. Park grants available, up to 50% . getting new dairy barns at the alliant energy center. Day shelter closing soon, looking for a new site. May issue an rfp as a different approach . new county facility to be built near the cottage grove dump, will use energy from the dump.

Bridget: low income bus passes approved. Some alders looking at Airbnb. What are the issues, how should they be dealt with. 81 bus does not come up to Paterson , stops at franklin. Thinking about what she will do the last month. Planning a commencement party. Thursday the 18th at 5 going to brocach.

Richard motion to adjourn
Patrick second