

## TLNA Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 10, 2015

7pm, The Constellation building, 10 North Livingston

**Present:** Patrick Heck, Jessica Ray, Mark Bennett, R. Linster, Tyler Lark, Bob Kelbba, Stewve Wilke, Steven Maerz, Mary Beth Collins, Jessi Mulhall, Loni Andreen, Helen Bradbury, Zachary Schahelman, Patty Prime, Matt Lieber, Marsha Cannon, Peter Cannon, Peter Benck, Kelly Maxwell

**7:00-** Patty called to order, quorum present

*Patrick moved to approve November minutes, Linster seconded. Passed unanimously.*

### Introductions

Zachary Schahelman - Black Moon Tattoo co- owner

Loni Andreen- black moon co-owner

Helen Bradbury - Stone House Dev. rep

Matt (?)- Madison Police rep

Jessica Ray- Atwood Tool Library

Peter Benck- Good Style Shop owner

Peter and Marsha cannon- residents

### Matt police rep report:

warrants issued on Blair/Blount, drugs taken out of two apartments. Drug supply and demand explained, nebulous nature of market. Mostly marijuana, some club drugs (mdma), ketamine (special k) rise in use and dealing of heroin in downtown madison. No heroin in this particular bust. Basically have legalized use of marijuana in the city but dealing is the problem. Dealers do not tend to take security precautions, leading to eventual breakins. Problem is that predators come here to victimize Madison dealers because they don't protect themselves.

Patrick asked about an attempted carjacking on 100 N Blount, had spoken to Casey? but he has not heard back.

Tyler asked about an attempted breakin on East Dayton. Officer says there is an increase in break-ins. Police have flyer'd 3x at schools, people are still not locking their cars. Emphasizes locking doors and windows of home and cars.

Patty asked if we had set a date for Party in the Park, would like to invite officer Casey to bring her horses. Nobody could remember which weekend in June. Matt will pass along our horse desires.

**Helen Bradbury from Stone House Development:**

there have been 2 steering committee meetings. Stone house is looking for a letter of support, they will "score points" if TLNA supports development.

Development is western half of block, alley, no car access to mifflin, parking lot 358 stalls, for Breese Stevens events there will be 150? spots available

65 units, 55 are affordable

Last night they received preliminary approval from urban design. Tower is 130-140 apartments. will be up for final urban design approval, still messing with colors and materials. Trying to stay away from gray colors. Ten stories total, 11th floor is community room and conference room for tenants and visitors.

Patty asked about red vertical section, is it different now? Helen said it wasn't a good rendering, just differentiating for verticality. Patty like it, breaks up the beige.

Steve asked is some parking for commercial tenants? Of the 358 stalls, 60 will be for Design Concepts, 70 stalls QTI.

Steve asked how many square feet for DC? 2500, first floor, most of second floor and a little chunk of 3rd floor to have access to outdoor area. QTI will be on 3rd floor, want a small retail space on ground floor. Stone House will be on 4th floor. They have an intent to lease from another company. All offices are leased, people are still calling.

Patty asked will you be looking at local businesses? Oh yes. Definitely. Car-X will be on the corner, space for large and small restaurant.

Mark asked for description of store fronts? Like a Macy's window, will be able to see in. Mark is concerned about inaccessability from pedestrian perspective. He hopes there will be door access.

Helen sings praises of Design Concepts company.

Patrick expressed disappointment that Galaxie windows do not go to ground. Says Metro Market is very inviting with window displays all the way to the ground.

Tyler asks is there thought of adding a fourth story of offices given the intense demand? Yes, there is consideration. Demand has been "crazy".

They will not tear down old Car-x until new space is ready to go; operations will not cease.

Third floor has access to top of garage green space, picnic space. One area is designated garden space for affordable units (rectangular 4x8 raised beds). Solar panels in rendering, but they don't know yet if they will be able to afford it. Patty asked will solar be for water? As much as possible.

Entrance on Brearly and Mifflin, across from Lapham are 9 3-bedroom townhouses 2 floors tall, each with own entrance. Stone House got 1million dollar loan/grant contingent on Wheda credits. They have experienced extreme support from city.

Bob asked about entrance and how it will affect public transportation? SH will present a transportation study (concluding tomorrow) to the city next week. Can't yet say what will happen.

Showing Mifflin view. Helen is aware it is modern. Could not sell other looks (city row) to urban design and architects. She is happy with look of it but not so much the colors at this point. There is warm gold brick.

Bob likes that there are at-grade entrances all around the block.

*Steve Wilke motions to write a letter of support of the Stone House development. Steve Maerz seconds.*

*Tyler amends that we encourage more commercial and retail. Steve Wilke agrees.*

Mary Beth asked Patrick for further recommendations? Patrick states conditions like dog poop, hvac, etc. lists of recommendations are standard stuff. Patrick agrees with Tyler's amendment. He says we should maybe stay out of it in terms of design elements like color.

Helen asks if we could just support affordable housing. Two separate letters?

Mary Beth recommends including verbage of continuing involvement.

*Passes unanimously*

*Patrick motions that we write a second letter expressing support of affordable housing element. Can be written to Stone House, not Wheda. Steve Wilke seconds.*

*Passes unanimously.*

Tyler following up on nuances of first letter. Patty says she and Patrick will help develop the wording of Tyler's amendment.

### **Zack and Loni from Black Moon Tattoo (co-owners)**

They were both tattoo clients of Loni's husband, and thought they could make a cool shop happen together. It is housed in former Aardvark Glass space. Needed a lot of work. Zack says there are many tattoo shops in town which are stuck in old ideals. They are looking to bring something new to the market, a better customer experience. Opening Jan 1st, 4 artists working at any given time. Just tattoos, no piercing. Hours will be 12-9 Mon-Sat, 12-6 Sunday.

Patrick suggests cross promotion with Wiscons-ink (been in the neighborhood for years). Zack says they've met with Haley (owner?) a bit and are fostering a good relationship.

Bob says his one complaint is smokers outside tattoo places. Zack and Loni are non-smokers. Bob asks for front to be set up to discourage smoking in front of the store. Mary Beth says Robin Room addressed this with an alley space. Black Moon is very concerned with not appearing "seedy" or "dirty" and they will not encourage anyone to use that space as a smoking area, but will not disallow it. They have already discussed this issue themselves.

### **Jessica Ray Atwood Tool Library**

Library has been open since May of last year. ATL was created by Jessica, inspired by a similar program in Portland. They are up to 70 members, membership is 20 dollars a year. They have about a thousand tools (hand, power, home and bike repair, etc.) Badger volunteers have helped create a photo catalogue. They are in the basement of Zion Lutheran Church on Linden (Division), three rooms. They are open Wednesday and Saturday.

Jessica asked for our ideas/help with increasing membership. Marybeth suggested displaying tools at our events. Tyler suggests using our newsletter.

They will have a garage sale in May to celebrate 1-year. They are creating toolboxes for East High grads going on to careers in building.

Tyler suggests a satellite location in Tenney Lapham. Jessica would love that and would be happy to help someone set it up; it is a lot of work. Different locations were tossed around.

Patty remembers reading about tool library on TL listserv.

Marsha Cannon asked if they serve Sherman Terrace? They do not officially serve that area yet. Marsha says her neighbors would love to utilize their services but are not in the coverage area. Jessica says they just don't have the capacity to cover entire city. Demand for certain tools is much higher, hard to keep track of tools if the range is too large. Repeats that she would be happy to help anyone who wants to open another branch of tool library. Little free tool library is suggested; Jessica says people probably wouldn't bring them back.

They need more power tools. Tools are donated to their library.

Patrick strongly recommends contributing to our newsletter, Patty says include pictures.

Steve Maerz says he has many tools he could donate to library, Jessica says they can give tax receipts.

Website is [www.sustainableatwood.org/tool-library](http://www.sustainableatwood.org/tool-library) , or can google atwood tool library

### **Revisiting budget**

Steve didn't have time to change it yet.

Patty says website could be spread over 2 years.

Mary Beth wants an ongoing reflection of balance. Steve will make a monthly balance sheet to share.

Modifications have been discussed, Steve is working on incorporating them. Mary Beth and Steve will get together and work it out.

Bob would like to see grant money in budget as part of income. He would like to see income match up with expenses, Mary Beth says we are working from a reserve and that will be reflected in a balance sheet.

Linster and Patty would like to be included in budget meeting with Mary Beth and Steve.

### **Street Sign**

Discussion postponed. Sue (?) works with designer of Tenney bridge. Sue and Ledell would like to invite designer to one of our events, Patrick says maybe include him in newsletter.

### **Day Shelter at Messner Site update**

Patrick and Bob report that many people had many things to say at meeting. Patty says there has been a very prelim assessment of building; approximately 9000 square feet are unusable and will be removed (about half of the square footage will be usable). Five RFP groups have walked through the bldg, deadline for operator applications are December 18. Steering committee will have one member on selection committee.

Mary Beth asks what community recourse remains? County will submit to plan commission, city determines whether they will grant a CUP.

Bob has worked with Lynn Green, is happy to talk about RFP process but we don't need to try and be involved at this point. Patty says our goal should be to help find the best operator possible for the best interest of the neighborhood.

Patrick expresses that the County a frustrating entity to with which to work and attempt to understand.

Mark says we should advocate for ideal services and is concerned about a poorly run shelter that will not serve our citizens properly.

### **The Cannons (Marsh and Peter)**

Marsha is very concerned with the "Brutalist" architecture of the Stone House townhouses across from Lapham. It feels cold and not homey. Recommends using evergreens for winter greenery.

Marsha reports that *100 db* (? **not sure I got the right number here**) limit was approved despite attempt at 92 db limit. She would like to put something in newsletter including phone number to call and complain about unwanted sound.

Peter Cannon speaks about the glass 11th floor of Stone House development. He says glass is a major bird killer. Says there is glass going in new buildings all over town. He would like us to say that non-bird friendly glass is unacceptable. Tyler suggests that we include it in our (big) letter of support. Patrick says that SH claimed bird-friendly glass is not affordable. Peter says there are more glass products on

the market today, more options. Problems are reflection (reflection of trees or clouds), and transparency. Patrick says we need to do homework before we require anything.

### **TLNA Planning meeting discussion**

#### **Photo contest update: an informative handout was distributed.**

Jessi says that the newsletter printer publishes a calendar every year, maybe could put some of the photos in it.

Suggested judges: David Waugh, Keith Wessel, East High student...

Ages of youth participants? Up to 21? Two categories, 12 & under and 12 & up?

Patty says put winners on the TLNA agenda seasonally.

*Mary Beth asks to amend budget to allow prize money to come from budget \$1500. Matt seconded.*

discussion- Bob asks how much prize money will come from donations? None. Linster says we should try asking around to businesses and residents. Patrick says we should have a follow-up plan to continue facebook engagement once interest is raised from this contest. Matt supports Linster's comment, also supports budget contributing to prize money. Bob sees \$1500 being about 15% of budget; it's a large figure. Hesitant to approve such a large amount. Jessi says for the upcoming newsletter we should focus on a half-page ad laying out ground rules. Could include solicitation of donations towards prize money. Marta says spring event could be opportunity to seek sponsors.

*Steve Maerz suggests budgeting \$1500 and trying to offset with fundraising as much as possible.*

*Passes unanimously*

#### **Spring Event**

will be April 10 at Tenney Park shelter

got beer permit for \$52, home brew is ok

can not do chili cook-off in non-commercial kitchen. Need a temporary restaurant permit.

Marta says maybe we could do homebrew and fruit pie party!

Jessi suggests food cart party. Added to list of ideas.

Linster's homebrewer friends are super excited about a homebrew tasting. Perhaps make it a weekend event: chili at christ presbyterian on Saturday, beer and pie on Sunday?

Newsletter ad: Spring event is photo contest, homebrew, membership meeting

#### **Neighborhood open house**

Inspired by a historic home tour, Linster and Patrick are working on a condo/apartment tour. Condo tour is possible! McGrath, Gephart, Lisa and Peter Hoff have been contacted and will participate. Would focus on areas of neighborhood with lots of new residents and the outer edges including Tenney Nursery.

### **Historic Tours**

Bob Klebba (and Sue Babcock) have found a tour guide for 3 different areas/themes. Also looking into interpretive signage around neighborhood. Bob will report back in January.

### **Planters**

Steve Wilke says they are done. Well done Steve! Planters will be put in place in Spring.

### **Future plans- Patty**

Term limits? Needs council and non-council volunteers to work out term limits in the bylaws.

*Steve W moved to adjourn, Mark seconded.*

Adjourned at 9:19

