

Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods Draft Minutes
Via Zoom video conference
August 19, 2020 7:00 p.m.

Called to order at 7:02 PM

Participants: Bill Winkler, Barker Neighborhood Association resident; Courtney Shipley, Dad Perry Park/Kasold resident; Holli Joyce, Schwegler Neighborhood Association representative; Jim Carpenter, Planning Commission Member; Kyle Thompson, Oread Residents Association resident; Lisa Goins, Sunset Hill Neighborhood Association; Lisa Larsen, Lawrence City Commissioner / West Hills resident ; Melinda Henderson, Brook Creek Neighborhood Association representative; Michael Almon, Brook Creek Neighborhood Association representative; Nick Kuzmyak, Pinckney Neighborhood Association representative; Phil Collison, East Lawrence Neighborhood Association representative; Sheri Ellenbecker, Sunset Hill resident; Stuart Boley, City Commissioner, Schwegler resident; Travis Harrod, Springwood Heights representative; Tresa Hill, Old West Lawrence representative

Accept minutes from July 15, 2020 meeting: Minutes for July 15, 2020 meeting approved by acclamation (Joyce, motion to approve & Hill 2nd).

Treasurer report by Thompson; Current balance = \$3305.11, members encouraged to pay their dues.

Update from City Planning Department, Becky Pepper, city planner: [Follow this link to view the current and previous updates.](#)

Presenter: Lisa Goans, Sunset Hill neighborhood regarding Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) as permitted by code and used throughout the City. Lisa invited anyone from LAN to further discuss ADU's with her at lgoans2010@yahoo.com.

Presenter: Lisa Larsen regarding the City expanding the availability of financial assistance for sidewalk repair. Previously, to access the sidewalk repair financial assistance program, the property had to be located within the boundaries of the active sidewalk repair area (currently in the southeast part of the city). The new policy allows application for low income financial assistance regardless of whether the property is within the boundaries of the active sidewalk repair area.

Agenda item 1: Zoom account for LAN. It appears LAN will be unable to meet in person at least until Spring 2021, and possibly for an additional amount of time thereafter. Former LAN member, Eric Kirkendall, has generously allowed LAN to meet virtually using his business' Zoom account, which LAN has used since March. Having a Zoom account will allow LAN to be more flexible in creating and scheduling meetings, including sub-committee and special meetings, as well as have greater control over its monthly membership meeting. Price is \$14.99 per month and there may be a discount for enrolling for a full year rather than month to month. Joyce made a motion to approve the expenditure of no more than \$180.00 dollars from LAN's treasury for 12 months of Zoom subscription. Hill seconded. Motion passed.

Agenda Item 2: Discussion regarding reform of local Law Enforcement agencies (LE) and the status of the Community Police Review Board (CPRB). CPRB sent an email to LAN requesting LAN submit a statement of support for CPRB's proposal to amend City code to give CPRB more robust authority and scope to review police conduct. Harrod advises he reviewed a draft proposal provided by CPRB and approves of the direction they are going. The participants authorized Harrod to draft a letter of support.

Agenda Item 3: KU students have returned to Lawrence. Participants agreed that congregate living facilities (e.g. dorms and Greek houses etc.) are extremely likely to cause transmission of the Corona virus, which would then spill into the community at large. How did the students ever really have a chance if they are living in dorms, scholarship halls or Greek houses? If a resident sees a large gathering, house party etc., they can call Dispatch at the non-emergency number (785-843-0250) to report it.

Neighborhood reports:

- ELNA: Culmination of neighborhood art project on October 3.
- Old West Lawrence: talking with City regarding street brick work in 600 to 700 block of Indiana.
- Brook Creek: Almon reports that street markings coming soon. NA very happy that 19th Street will be rebuilt at 26' wide. Burroughs Creek trail will be extended north soon. Henderson concerned that NA's are not represented on Affordable Housing Advisory Board.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 PM (Almon motion to adjourn & Hill 2nd)

Submitted by Gary Webber, Secretary, on August 25d, 2020. Thanks to Travis Harrod for taking notes in my absence.