

Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods Draft Minutes
Lawrence Fire Station #5, Jayhawk Room
October 18, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

Participants: Holli Joyce, President, Schwegler Neighborhood Association; Kyle Thompson; Michael Almon, Vice President, Brook Creek Neighborhood Association; Phil Collison, Representative, East Lawrence Neighborhood Association; Sheri Ellenbecker, Representative, Sunset Hill Neighborhood Association; Travis Harrod, Representative, Springwood Heights Neighborhood Association; Millie Pageau, Homeless Programs Coordinator, Communications and Community Relations; Courtney Shipley, City Commissioner, City of Lawrence, Resident, Dad Perry Park Neighborhood; Dustin Stumblingbear, Resident, Pinkney Neighborhood; Bill Winkler, Resident, Barker Neighborhood; Susan Keim, Representative, Old West Lawrence; Tia Ezell and Katie Barnett, representatives for Lawrence Humane Society

Changes to, adoption of September 20, minutes: passed by acclamation.

Treasurer's Report (Thompson): \$3,962.28 balance, 7 of thirteen members/officers present, quorum confirmed.

Presentation: Lawrence Humane Society:

In-depth presentation of future funding request to City Commission for new service programming, specifically taking over the Animal Control department.

Services, reporting, etc. would be simplified, and take burden off of the community to handle the abundance of stray animals.

Question from Bill Winkler: Re: Homeless pets

Humane Society has community services for homeless, including: Food, neutering, other medical, boarding. They go to homeless encampment regularly and are involved with the shelter and palette village.

New Business:

Michael Almon asked for support for the Brook Creek neighborhood letter to City Manager, from LAN, with regard to the development of 15th Street Apartment Complex asking to rezone to RM32.

Travis Harrod and Kyle Thompson asked if they against any rezoning? Almon says they are opposed to RM32. That's their redline at this point. Thompson expressed concern about sprawl. Harrod and Almon respond that the city seems to be expanding west. Thompson says the developer says this is affordable housing. Harrod and Almon respond that there are too many apartments in Lawrence now. Almon points out that Brook Creek is affordable housing and the developer has been disingenuous.

Travis Harrod makes motion to authorize Holli Joyce to send Brook Creek's letter to the Planning Commission on behalf of LAN. Phil Collison seconds. Unanimously approved.

Old/Ongoing Business

- **Gateway Project Stadium expansion:** Kyle Thompson updated that KU is starting the process of setting up the Community Advisory Committee while planning to begin demo after the last football game. Much discussion of interactions with KU, or lack thereof.
- Tabled Items:

- **Term of Membership Bylaw change, Webber:** Webber will give 2 -week notice in November, and propose a bylaw change.
- **Website upgrade, Webber:** We will address this in November.

New Business

- **Nov. 15 Meeting:** Code Compliance, City of Lawrence Planning and Development.
- **December 20 Meeting:** Cori Wallace and Millie Pageau presentation from Lawrence Department of Communications and community relations.

Neighborhood Reports: tabled due to lack to time

Adjourn: meeting adjourned by acclamation at 8:00 PM.

Submitted by Holli Joyce, Co-Chair, on October 22, 2023.