

Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods Draft Minutes  
Lawrence Fire Station #5, Jayhawk Room  
February 22, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

Participants: Jim Carpenter, Resident, Barker Neighborhood; Gene Dorsey Resident, Schwegler Neighborhood Association; Sheri Ellenbecker, **Representative**, Sunset Hill Neighborhood Association; Phil Englehart, Resident, Pinkney Neighborhood; Holli Joyce, **LAN Chair**, President, Schwegler Neighborhood Association; Courtney Shipley, Resident, Dad Perry Park Neighborhood; Dustin Stumblingbear, **Representative**, Pinkney Neighborhood; Kyle Thompson, **LAN Treasurer**, Representative, Oread Residents Association; Gary Webber, **LAN Secretary**, President, Sunset Hill Neighborhood Association; Bill Winkler, Resident, Barker Neighborhood

Changes/Approval of January 17, 2024, minutes: approved by acclamation.

Treasurer's Report (Thompson): \$4, 0722. 28 balance, five of eighteen members/officers present. 2024 Members currently are ORA, Sunset Hill, Heatherwood Heights, Schwegler, and ELNA.

New Business:

- Discuss Code Enforcement/Rental Licensing: Englehart discussed latest revision of letter. After discussion, participants agreed on requesting an increase in personnel equivalent to 4 additional positions. Discussion also supported increases in funding for both code enforcement and rental licensing. Englehart will revise the letter, Webber will send to Collison and Shipley, they will authorize changes. Webber will send final letter to listserve. Shipley asked what neighborhoods can present to Commission. Webber (SHNA), volunteered to present, and will coordinate NA representatives. Representatives will contact Webber to coordinate presentations.
- Joyce stated that new See-Click-Fix app is online for code complaints.
- Report on Feb. 15 LDC Steering Committee meeting (Webber): Webber reported that the meeting addressed Module 3, applications for development and procedures. Carpenter stated that Chair Finkeldei wants a speedy approval, and for the revisions to go before the Steering Committee after the Planning Commission. **Englehart stated that under the revised draft, conversion of single-family detached housing into denser form -- duplex or triplex or even 4-plex will be allowed across almost all base zoning districts (subject to design/dimensional standards) and that any activity like this will not require public (neighborhood) notice nor will it require site plan review. As it currently stands in the draft, there will be no additional parking required with this increased density and the likely result will be more on street parking. Of course, property in HOAs and/or with covenants can be exempted from this general development thrust so that established neighborhoods that lack these "protections" are likely to see the majority of this "densification" activity.**
- Elect replacement LAN representative for the Land Development Code Update Steering Committee: Webber nominated Michael Almon to be new LAN representative, passed by acclamation.
- Downtown transit first meeting Monday, Feb 26.
- Report on Gateway Project/Stadium expansion: Thompson reported stadium has been reduced to only east side. Some minor complaints on traffic. East side demolition is Phase II.
- Report on Village Opening Ceremony (Webber): Mayor and city commissioners present. Tour of residential units, facilities.
- Brick Streets and Sidewalks Committee forming: Cece Riley contacted Joyce, asked for 3 neighborhood representatives, preferably from neighborhoods with brick sidewalks or streets. Webber will forward request to listserv and contact ELNA, OWL, and Pinkney directly.

- Ellenbecker announced that Farmland properties remediation action is scheduled for March 5, 2024, City Commission meeting.

Neighborhood Reports:

- Heatherwood Heights – No report.
- Brook Creek – No report.
- Old West Lawrence – No report.
- Pinkney – **Stumblingbear reported that they met and voted in Peggy Englehart as vice president. P. Englehart and Stumblingbear will share LAN representative duties.**
- Sunset Hill – Ellenbecker reported police presence in neighborhood. Webber reported SHNA will restart their traffic mitigation requests on Crestline Dr. when the City Commission approves revisions.
- ELIA – No report.
- Schwegler – Joyce reported that a speed hump has been authorized for 21<sup>st</sup> between Stewart and Ousdahl.
- Oread Residents – Thompson reported work on 11<sup>th</sup> street for bike lanes on both sides.
- Barker – No report.
- Springwood Heights – No report.

March Meeting topics: Cori Walters on See Click Fix and budget balancing act. Joyce will contact her.

April Meeting topics: Presentation by James Chiselom, Executive Director, LCS. Webber will contact him.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 20, 2024

6:30 PM, Jayhawk Room

Station 5

1911 Stewart Avenue

Lawrence, KS, 66045

Adjourn: meeting adjourned by acclamation at 7:35 PM.

Submitted by Gary Webber, Secretary, on February 23, 2024.