



Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods

Neighborhoods working together!

Draft Minutes

September 18, 2024

Participants: Michael Almon, Vice President, Brook Creek Neighborhood Association; Allen Blair, Representative, Hillcrest Neighborhood Association; Peggy Englehart, Representative, Vice President, Pinkney Neighborhood Association; Phil Englehart, Resident, Pinkney Neighborhood Association; Holli Joyce, LAN Chair, President, Schwegler Neighborhood Association; Susan Keim, Representative, Old West Lawrence Neighborhood Association; Matthew Paul, Representative, Sunset Hill Neighborhood Association; Courtney Shipley, LAN Vice Chair, Resident, Dad Perry Park Neighborhood; Dustin Stumblingbear, Representative, Pinkney Neighborhood Association; Bill Winkler, Resident, Barker Neighborhood Association

- 1) Changes/Approval of August 21, 2024, minutes: approved by acclamation.
- 2) Treasurer report: Thompson reported the current balance is \$4332.28 same as 8/1/24. Hillcrest NA paid \$25 at the meeting.
- 3) New Business
 - a) Downtown Transit Site Selection Committee: Stumblingbear reported that the next meeting is scheduled for 9/23/24. If a site is not finalized at this meeting, they will hold an October meeting. Stumblingbear talked about his podcast "Lawrence Asks Why." Discussed OWL and 3 potential sites along Tennessee and Kentucky streets. The lots along New Hampshire are still under consideration.
 - b) Land Development Code Update report: Almon shared a list of things not resolved by the Planning Commission. Phil Englehart clarified Clarion is working on resolving these issues. Almon said minimum parking, density, and many administrative things still need to be resolved. Phil said that the LAN motions of more than 1 parking space per unit and maintaining the status quo for 2 years were not discussed by the PC. A Parking Overlay District was discussed.
 - c) Zero Steering Committee report: Shipley cited survey results. 200 respondents responded, 75% related to design.
 - d) Brick Streets/Sidewalks report: Peggy Englehart explained the present recommendations. Seems to be administrative approval required at this point. Englehart explained the financial support for reconstruction of a brick sidewalk.
 - e) City Budget: Joyce will try to get Cori Wallace from the City next month to talk about SeeClickFix. Shipley and Phil Englehart wondered how code enforcement will proceed going forward.
 - f) City Governance: Shipley reported about ballot proposal for commissioners by districts and direct election of the mayor. League of Women Voters meeting 10/3/24, 6 pm, Lawrence Public Library Auditorium. "Lawrence Asks Why" podcast on IHeart radio. Does LAN want to co-host with ELNA about the ballot proposal? LAN will vote in October on whether to support the city commission ballot measure.

- g) City Hall Move: Shipley talked about the movement of city hall to 6th and Iowa. Questions about how many employees are working from home. What is the goal of this? \$6 million budgeted for renovation or buying Bluffs location.
 - h) City Budget: Joyce asked if we need to discuss the budget. Shipley stated that the only adjustment the city has made is to add one code inspector position to the budget.
 - i) School Pickup Traffic Issues: Shipley reported there were parent driving concerns at schools. The city says the school is responsible for traffic around pickups.
- 4) Neighborhood Reports:
- a) Barker: no report.
 - b) Brook Creek: Looking for a new Coordinator.
 - c) Dad Perry Park: no report.
 - d) East Lawrence: no report.
 - e) Heatherwood Heights: no report.
 - f) Hillcrest: Some residents want to paint the new water tower. Stall Herd is involved.
 - g) Old West Lawrence: They are concerned about the Downtown Transit Hub site.
 - h) Oread Residents: no report.
 - i) Pinkney Neighborhood: A 3-story, 30-unit apartment building has been proposed for 3rd and Florida. The developer is requesting a zoning change to RM32. Pinkney will hold a meeting soon to discuss the proposed zoning change and the proposed housing development.
 - j) Prairie Park: no report.
 - k) Schwegler: no report.
 - l) Southsiders: no report.
 - m) Springwood Heights: no report.
 - n) Sunset Hill: Paul reported an arrest for assault of a resident of Centennial Park. SHNA is considering discontinuing adoption of the park over concern for the safety of the cleaning crew. Discussion of encampments in various locations.
 - o) University Place: no report.
- 5) Next meeting: October 16, 2024. We will meet in Meeting Room B at the Public Library for the October 16 meeting.
- 6) Adjourned by acclamation.