

# PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION OUTCOMES

Meeting Zoom: June 19, 2021 Meeting called to order at 10:07 a.m.

**MEETING PARTICIPANTS:** Eleanor Gardner; Pat Miller; Shane Heiman; Josh Spence; Jen & David Unekis; Kristen & Glen Walker; Paul Leichti; Anne & Mike Shaw; Lori Lange

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA & PREVIOUS MEETING OUTCOMES**

The Agenda (with flexibility) was approved. *Motion by P. Miller. 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Spence. Voice vote. Motion carries.*  
Previous Meeting Outcomes were approved. *Motion by D. Unekis. 2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Miller. Voice vote. Motion carries.*

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

- **Account balances:** Checking \$514.92; Savings \$223.46; Petty cash \$169.29 = \$907.67
- **Upcoming Expenses:** Coordinator (remainder of year) \$945; upcoming communications, i.e., newsletter/postcard \$600/\$1,000; CDBG Grant has been totally used: \$2889. There is a potential to receive up to \$2,000 from the city while they implement a new program to replace the CDBG. The new program proposal is being developed by the neighborhoods who annually receive funding from the CDBG.

## **GUEST – LAURA MCCULLOCH**

Guest McCulloch, Lawrence Douglas County Health, reported on the community garden at 200 Maine. Although the garden is adjacent to the community health building it belongs to the community – neighborhood and beyond. Anyone can pick produce and work on the beds. She described a plot model for consideration (manager and possible plot fee). Accessibility is important (L. McCulloch to investigate with the city ways to make accessible; **E. Gardner to provide city contact**). Naming of the garden was discussed. The Gardening Facebook group / neighborhood committee to discuss and recommend model and name. (E. Gardner to provide contacts).

## **UPDATES & REPORTS**

- **President's Report.** 1) President Heiman acknowledged Juneteenth (today) and gave a short history of its background. He lauded the government for making it an official federal holiday. 2) He referenced attending the Virtual Downtown Master Planning Open House at which a 120-pg. draft plan was introduced; the Steering Committee requests more time for community study and comment and will review feedback during its July 8 work session. 3) He notes that Lawrence Transit is building a transfer facility at Bob Billings and Crestline.
- **Renaming PNA:** The final voting window will close June 30. Thus far there are 184 online votes; postcard ballots have not been tallied. There will be costs associated with a name change. The Committee has been developing a list of items. A Go Fund Me account was endorsed as a legal way for the neighborhood to raise funds for this project and beyond. Being able to take payments via Venmo, PayPal and other platforms is attractive but may be too complex; the ability to take recurring payments is desired (**K. Walker to investigate**). PNA should choose just one. Changes to the name should be able to be completed in a 6-month timeframe. The neighborhood will need to have a final drive-through to ferret out places with the Pinckney name. There will be an expectation to announce the new name sooner rather than later.
- **LAN Report.** (from last month's meeting) Bike loop was discussed. Invite that committee chair to a PNA future meeting to explain the plan. (**J. Spence to add it to a future agenda**)
- **LMH Update.** LMH has been accredited by the Commission on Cancer, which will provide the opportunity for more partnerships and access to research. It is undertaking a fundraising drive to expand the oncology department. Blood supply is at a critical level: July 8-9 it is conducting a blood drive. It has also elevated a DEI initiative to ensure access to healthcare for everyone.

## **BUSINESS ITEMS**

- **PNA Future Meeting Days/time.** The survey has mixed results; overall the most popular timing is the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of the month on Tuesday at 6 p.m. The September meeting would be the earliest we would test a new day/time. Location is still TBD: LMH – uncertain; Library – **J. Spence to check** number of people allowed and microphone availability. The desire is to conduct a hybrid meeting. Being able to hear is very important; there is not good used sound equipment available.
- **Neighborhood Picnic.** PNA voted to go ahead with the picnic. *J. Spence made a motion to hold it July 24 or the next available Saturday at Clinton Park in the early evening. P. Miller 2<sup>nd</sup>. Voice Vote. Motion carries. P. Miller to secure the park.* Box lunches were discussed. \$11+ is too expensive (Macelli); \$9 (Hyvee); [Subway was later researched and most economical]. There is a donation that will help defray box lunch costs. A subcommittee agreed to iron out the details: **P. Miller, S. Heiman and K. Heck (proposed).**
- **Miscellaneous.** It is unsafe for walkers who enter Sandra J. Shaw Park by Woody Park due to road construction and equipment. Walkers should contact the city to lodge a complaint.

*A motion to adjourn was made by J. Spence. 2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Miller. Voice vote. Motion carries. Adjourned at 12:02 p.m.*

**FINISHED**