

PINKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING OUTCOMES

Meeting: Zoom October 21, 2023

Called to order at 10:03 a.m.

MEETING PARTICIPANTS: Kim Heck, Pat Miller, Lori Lange, Peggi and Phil Englehart, Rachel and Dustin Stumblingbear, Jen Unekis, McKenzie Clark, guest Russ Johnson, LMH CEO

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made to accept the Agenda with flexibility. *Motion by K. Heck, 2nd by D. Stumblingbear. Voice/hand-raise vote. Motion carries.*

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING OUTCOMES

A motion was made to accept the September Outcomes: *Motion by P. Miller, 2nd by K. Heck. Voice vote. Motion carries.*

GUEST PRESENTATION: GUEST RUSS JOHNSON, LMH CEO

LMH will provide quarterly updates in the future. Five items were reported: 1) Cancer Center is expanding, an \$11.5 million phase 1/\$2.5 million project phase 2 to be completed in 1 year. Its entrance will be changing; some parking will be impacted. 2) Reed Medical Building will be empty soon -- occupants are moving to 6th & Maine, and no plans for building use, but there is leasing interest. 3) Demolition of houses in neighborhood: one north of 6th and Maine been raised; the space is being used for parking. House north of Michigan and 4th has been demolished. R. Johnson to find out if the house on 5th (between Maine and Arkansas) is still on the demo list (previously reported). 4) Proposed development on the east side of Maine between 4th and 3rd is on hold. 5) The Dock at LMH is being retrofitted for bio-hazard waste reclamation. It will result in hazard reduction and cost savings.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

- **Account balances.** Checking \$663.32; Savings \$223.82; Petty cash \$155.65.
- **Upcoming expenses.** Coordinator fees: Sept. thru Dec.
- **Grant funds.** Next grant funds of \$2,500 will be issued soon--request has been made.

REPORTS

- **President's Report.** Trunk-or-Treat will be reported under Business Items.
- **LAN Report.** 1) LAN voted to support the Brook Creek neighborhood association in their concerns/letter with a proposed apartment complex at 15th St. and Lindenwood Lane (SE side). 2) The city's animal control efforts will be placed under the Humane Society, and its \$500,000 funding will be redirected appropriately.
- **Signage Committee.** Still waiting on a response from the city on timeline and placement.

BUSINESS ITEMS

- **Trunk or Treat:** [NOTE: T-or T was cancelled on Oct. 27 due to projected sleet and freezing temperatures for Oct. 29. Notification was sent to residents electronically and on Facebook. Confirmed Booth participants were contacted]. Confirmed booth attendees: LFD, LPD, LMH Leadership Class, Dottie, Community Childrens Center, plus individuals. Volunteers to report at 2 p.m. for set up. S. Heiman to reach out to vendors/neighbors to fund or donate candy. If we do not receive enough candy, PNA petty cash will be used. K. Heck to place yard signs throughout the neighborhood and donate donut holes from Dunkin Donuts. P. Miller to prepare the PNA fishing booth, donate apple cider, query S. Heiman re: OWL and Hillcrest student notification. J. Unekis to bring a folding table.
- **Pallet Shelter Village.** A meeting of the committee and the city was held. There is still no operator in place. The shelters are projected to be placed on Nov. 28, with a possible Dec. opening, contingent on an operator. There is continuous monitoring for trash. A concern about speeding trucks to/from site was raised and will be mentioned to the city coordinator. There is a question about outside guests – are they allowed or not? There will be nighttime security, food service and strong efforts by social services to move residents out of homelessness within 90 days. The City is increasing its funding of the Community Shelter. There should not be increased pedestrian traffic in the neighborhood since services are being provided on-site. It is reiterated that the east side of Lawrence bears an inequitable burden of the homeless population. A phone number will be published to report concerns after the village opens.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Play Structure at Clinton Park.** The City is seeking feedback from Pinkney residents about new play structures. A survey will be sent out through the PNA electronic newsletter.

- **Robinson Park Reimagined.** Need more information. [NOTE: PNA will be included in the process of redeveloping.]
- **Community Connections (located in former Pinckney School).** Will offer a dog walking service.
- **Holiday Adopt-A-Family.** Last year PNA had a very successful program. S. Heiman may have contacts at Hillcrest and Deerfield so that we can find out needs of former PNA student families.
- **Next Meeting.** Nov. 18 in person and through Zoom.

A motion to adjourn was made by K. Heck; 2nd by L. Lange. Voice Vote or leave Zoom to indicate a YES vote. Motion carries. The meeting adjourned at 11 a.m.

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