

MINUTES WESTSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #2 February 10, 2016

Meeting called to order by Miss Olson. Pledge of Allegiance recited. Attendance was taken by Ms. Strickland with Ms. Strickland, Miss Olson, Mr. McCoy, Mr. Ferderer present. Miss Patera was absent. A quorum was established.

The Bylaws were unanimously approved and initialed with the change requested at the January meeting. They will now be sent to Sarah Sexe for final approval.

Jana Cooper from Thomas, Dean and Hoskins spoke on the Park Master Plan update and poll. The Plan has not been updated since 1995. At some point the Plan survey will be online. When finished this updated Master Plan will be an attachment to the Growth Policy. We four jointly filled out a questionnaire which will be added to the other ones from the Town Hall Meeting. The cost of this is \$90,000.00. Other surveys will be sent out shortly. If you do not receive one you will be able to go on line and link on to one to fill out. No date as to when this will happen.

The City Commission is starting a new way in which to keep in touch with the happenings at each Neighborhood Council by having a representative from one Council come to the work session before the Commission meeting and give a 15 minute presentation on Council questions, concerns and happenings. Brittany Olson volunteered to attend the next work session and was given several suggestions for discussion – the Hay Man issue, the Holman Building issue, the junk cars at Steve's Auto spilling onto the boulevard, why Police will not enforce the new State Trespass Law regarding "squatters" in rental apartments, and Code/Ordinance re-writing.

New Hope Church in the former St. Joseph's Church building is now up and running with Bible Study at 9:30 and Services at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome as their Pastor stated at our meeting. Temple Baptist's move into the old school will take a bit longer.

Calumet is requesting another rail line from Burlington Northern and are currently in negotiation on this. This will necessitate closing the North end of West Bank Park. Patty will keep us informed, as this is not only Council #3's concern but ours as well.

Mike is trying to get the R.R. crossing at 6th Street and Ryan's Station fixed properly. The State says to get B.N. to repair it properly.

Lights are in at West Kiwanis Park. Shyla will speak with her dad regarding NorthWestern Energy's offer.

Sandy Mares gave an update on West Band Flood District. They are working on submitting a report to the Court and will go from there. This will be possibly in March or April.

Motion was made by Mike McCoy to approve the Minutes with the corrected spelling of Heather Rohlf's last name. Seconded by Al Ferderer and unanimously approved.

Patty will turn in the Petitions on the Holman Building on Wed. There was some confusion among the Councils concerning the petition which Patty is trying to clarify to the various members.

Mike reported on the Council of Councils meeting. Some of the Councils believe that they are only advisory. Patty will correct this misconception. Mike presented the reasoning behind the petition. It is now Sarah Sexe's place to proceed or not.

GFPD Volunteer Co-ordinators Adrienne Ehrke and Capt. Jeff Newton will have another class for the next group of volunteers. Applications are now being taken.

Mike moved the meeting be adjourned at 8:10 with Sue seconding. Vote was unanimous

Respectfully submitted

SueAnn Strickland, Secretary.