

COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS

July 15, 1998

AGENDA

- I. Distribution of minutes of the June 17, 1998 meeting
- II. Financial report
- III. Anti graffiti project July 18, Third Street Park, 10:00 a.m.
- IV. Program Committee report-add rails to trails
- V. Sycamore Gun Club protest
- VI. Westpointe juvenile detention center protest
- VII. Pedestrian lighting project on North Lincoln
- VIII. Next meeting dates
 - A. NAG, Aug. 7, 8:30 a.m., McClosky Room
 - B. CONA, Aug 19, 7:00 p.m., McClosky Room
- IX. Open discussion
- X. Adjournment

Minutes of CONA Meeting
July 15, 1998 7:00 P.M.
McCloskey Room, City Hall
Bloomington, Indiana

Directors Present:

Peter Wright	Larry Crewell	Bill Sturbaum
Eugene Fritz	Fran Moore	Betty Yoder
Bill Boese	David Walter	Pat Aungst
Bob Woolford	Carl Price	Carol Darling
Mark Hood		

Guests: Chris McGuire-Hastings

Important Dates:

Next NAG meeting is scheduled for September 4 at 8:30 a.m.
Next CONA Meeting is September 16 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes of the June 17, 1998 meeting were approved.

1. Financial Report: There is a balance of \$720.00 in the checking account. No checks were written for this month.
2. Anti-Graffiti Campaign: There will be a citizen's initiative on July 18 at the Third Street Park to clean up graffiti in selected sites. The City will furnish equipment, a liability release form is required of volunteers. Expect to work for about 2 hours.
3. Programming Committee: Bill Sturbaum reviewed the committee recommendations with the Directors. The Regional Neighborhood Conference is coming up and Bill will collect information for the next meeting. Bill also asked that the Directors consider adding the development of a "rails to trails" program for the city to the Programming Committee's recommendations. Discussion was about how beneficial this might be to have a biking/walking trail through the city, a portion of this is in place on the south side already. There was a concern about crime on the trail and vandalism. Bill Sturbaum had visited a trail recently and was impressed with its lack of problems. Boese moved and Fritz seconded that this be done. 2 – opposed, 16 in favor, motion was passed.
4. Sycamore Gun Club: Comments were exchanged about the relocation of the Club from IU property to a location on the west side of the 37 by-pass. The local neighborhood opposed it and several letters were printed in the H-T about it. This led to IU withdrawing its offer to purchase adjacent property to provide a shooting ranges for the Club.
5. Westpointe Detention Center: Bill Boese reported that three members of the Neighborhood Association are on the task force for the center. He has four letters from this group and petitions with over 400 names opposing the center.
6. Old Northeast Neighborhood Street Lighting: A pilot project for post lamps will be done at 9th Street Park. Lights will be put in down to 7th Street on Lincoln. Cost is \$7,000 per block and \$150/month for power.
7. Near Westside: Pat Aungst reported that Mark Haggerty is upset about being banned from Banaker Center. He was banned for three years due to his assault on an individual in the center. Expect to see more in the newspapers about this.
8. Fritz Terrace: Larry Crewell reported that a ground swell of apathy has broken out and the neighbors are planning a neighborhood yard sale the third weekend in August.

9. 6th & Ritter: David Walter reported that last Tuesday night's rain was a 10-year rain shower. Several trees down and one house damaged. He reported 8 lots were flooded, some to a depth of 3 feet or more. The storm culvert was full at W. 5th Street and the roadway in front of Kliendorfer's was under water. The retention pond did not hold any water, but the really bad flooding was between W. 7th St. and W. 6th St. This is where John Freeman promised to have the drainage ditch cleared of debris this past spring.

10. West Bryan Park: Bob Woolford reported that his neighborhood would hold elections at their first formal meeting on the 4th Sunday of the month. He expects a good turnout of people.

11. Westpointe: Bill Boese reported that they have not had a neighborhood meeting for 4-5 weeks. Don Mitchell is supposed to complete the sidewalk construction in a few weeks that he is required to do as developer. The Adams Street entrance project is almost completed and the sign is installed.

12. Matlock Heights: Carl Price introduced Carol Darling from the neighborhood association. They have some drainage problems down at the entry off of Old 37 North. A neighbor's house is being flooded because of a new culvert installed by the city. His second concern is the traffic coming down the hill by the Griffy Dam on Dunn Street. His neighborhood association would like to see the street blocked at the top of the hill so that it would be a neighborhood feeder street instead of a thoroughfare.

13. Hoosier Acres: Betty Yoder reported that there would be a new development on the west side of the neighborhood by K-Mart. A 9000 square foot bank with realtor offices is planned. It is going forward as a PUD to change the zoning. The neighborhood is concerned about site drainage and the maintenance of an overhead electric line that feeds the neighborhood. Apparently, this line requires frequent maintenance and it supplies power to a seriously ill resident that is dependent upon this source of electricity to live.

14. Sycamore Knolls: Peter Wright reported that 100 people showed up for the 4th of July neighborhood party. Several trees are down because of the storm. The neighborhood yard sale is scheduled for the end of August. And, for the last time Peter, you may tell the Directors that the crosswalks need to be better marked in the city. The painted strips do not last as long as the thermoplastic coating that is applied downtown and as long as the city is striping the streets, why do they not use the superior material.

15. Elm Heights: Mark Hood reported that the new West Bryan Park neighborhood association will now represent part of what was traditionally Elm Heights neighborhood association. They are working out the new boundaries. A city police officer attended the last neighborhood association meeting. Harmony School is going to request local historic designation for the old Elm Heights school property. At a recent University School reunion, several people came over to the old Elm Heights school to look around.

16. Secola: Eugene Fritz reported that several trees were down in his neighborhood from last Tuesday's storm. Eugene has tried several times without success to meet with Lee Haus of the city about replacing damaged trees in the tree plots. Tonight is the first reading of the storm drainage ordinance. He also reported that the railroad crossing in front of Seminary Square on 2nd Street has been repaired, although the rails still stick up above the pavement.

17. Chris McGuire-Hastings reported that the Bloomington Urban Enterprise Zone is considering some ways they might be able to assist CONA.

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.