

**Minutes of CONA Meeting
7:00 p.m., January 16, 2002
McCloskey Room, City Hall
Bloomington, Indiana**

Directors Present:

Waterman - Terri Inskip	McDoel Gardens - Jan Bulla-Baker
Prospect Hill - Patrick Murray	McDoel Gardens – Jack Baker
Prospect Hill - Bill Sturbaum	Bryan Park - Jim Opiat
Near West Side - Sandra Clothier	6th & Ritter - David Walter
Hoosier Acres – Fran Moore	Hoosier Acres – Betty Yoder
Garden Hill – Phil Worthington	
CONA Program Director – Nancy Lumbley	
HAND Representative – Vickie Provine	

1. Minutes of the December 19, 2001 meeting were approved.
2. Treasurer's Report: The checking account balance is \$7,217.91. The savings account balance is \$2,067.31. \$225.30 of the savings account is due to the Gateway Project, leaving a total of \$9,267.31.
3. Vickie Provine reported that HAND now has "Small and Simple" neighborhood grants available. Prospect Hill, Bryan Park and McDoel Gardens have used these funds for improvements in their neighborhoods. HAND is also coordinating with IU students for neighborhood service projects such as neighborhood clean up projects. Requests are due in March 28. The Blooming Neighborhoods celebration will be held on May 11.
4. Bill Sturbaum reported that the CONA position paper had been given press coverage in the H-T. The Growth Polices Plan will be going to the City Council for discussion before adoption. Bill Sturbaum urges neighborhood associations to support the CONA position paper and to keep reminding people to attend the meetings and to write letters.
5. Phil Worthington reported on the Persistent Nuisance Rental Properties proposal. Phil sent copies of the proposal 5 days in advance of the Monroe County Apartment Owners' Association meeting. He then attended the meeting to answer questions and out line the proposal. The Owners responded that they were not sure what they should be doing if they were to receive notification from the police of their tenants' misdeeds. Phil reported that copies of this proposal have been given to the City Council representatives. The question is what to do next? After much discussion, Bill Sturbaum and Phil Worthington will meet to do strategic planning on presentation of this proposal to the community and try to obtain City Council support.

6. Nancy Lumbley announced that, according to the by-laws, the president of CONA has to select a Nominating Committee by the next meeting. Election of new officers will occur this year and Kathie Holland has indicated that she wants to step down from the Vice President's position.
7. Jack Baker reported that the Planning Committee did not meet in December, but had met with the Director of City Planning, Tom Micuda in January. Among the concern discussed were the cutting of trees along East Third Street, the West Second Street development plan, the proposed development on East Seventh Street and Lincoln, the Groomer property on West Seventh Street, and the vacant land across from Rogers Building Supply on Patterson Street.
8. Nancy Lumbley gave the Program Manager's report. Journalism students will be meeting with CONA representatives to prepare a marketing plan. The January newsletter will be sent out with a copy of the CONA Strategic Plan. The Strategic Plan will also be posted on the CONA Web site. Membership renewal is due in the month that your neighborhood association joined CONA. CONA has a 4-year grant available for building community in the neighborhood with an emphasis on teen involvement with adults. Nancy passed out forms for members to note their in-kind contributions to CONA.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM.