

1. Minutes June, 2020

Present: Pam Blackburn, Lane Eisenbart, Dave Loewenstein, Peggy Robinson, KT Walsh, Aaron Paden, Kelly Rodriguez, Kaitlyn Stanley, Josh Davis, Boog Highberger, Barry Shalinsky.

Meeting called to order by Phil. Minutes were emailed to board members. It was asked that people review them after the meeting and send any corrections to Lane.

There will be upcoming roadwork in the neighborhood: 8th St from New Hampshire to Connecticut, 600 block of Connecticut, New York 7th to 8th. There was concern about where the list of projects came from. A number of these have bricks under the payment. Mill overlay machine will destroy the bricks. Barry questioned why 600 Connecticut was on the list as it is a very low traffic street. Phil, Barry & KT have an upcoming meeting with Dave Cronin and will get more information.

City Budget is being affected by covid-19. The city is waiting on more information before making changes. Ted North Lawrence is talking to the county & city task force. Of concern is what happens when students come back from all over.

With school officially being over, food insecure families have less resources. Lane will continue to send out information in Thursday e-news. There is not much for kids to do this summer as most normal summertime activities have been cancelled. Lane & Kaitlyn will investigate and send out information.

The neighborhood plan needs updating. The new planning director is Jeff Crick. Apparently ELNA needs to ask the commission again to get planning resources to help with neighborhood overlay.

Questions were asked about the George Floyd impact on Lawrence. What are the police policies on tear gas, choke hold. What is the policing we want to see? More transparency of sheriffs & city & unions.

August primary and November elections are fast approaching. Encourage registration.

Rebuilding east 9th: Book on East Lawrence is for sale at the Raven. Proceeds to benefit AME St. Lukes.

A lengthy discussion on the newsletter followed particularly in this time of diminishing funding. When should the newsletter go out? The August/September issue typically has back to school information. It was felt that around July 15th would be optimal as that is when mail in ballots are sent out. Fundraising thru the raffle is underway.

Traffic committee sent public comments to the multi-modal committee. No response as yet. It was suggested to push to get on the July agenda.

Krsnich development & construction will begin this summer or fall. Wishing bench committee to work to Slimmers to get space to move the bench.

9th Street: the intersection of 9th & NY will need to be rebuilt.

St. Luke's rehabilitation efforts are continuing. They have been awarded 2 grants. First they are working on the brick around the windows. The giant windows are being sent to a company in Iowa for restoration.

Block party may need to be reviewed due to covid.

Burrough's creek trail clean up on hold.

Meeting was adjourned.