

Minutes of the Lindbergh Forest Neighborhood Association (LFNA)

Wednesday, June 21, 2017, 6:30 pm

Graystone Presbyterian Church

Attendees: Chris Caldwell, Rachel Caldwell, Dorian DeLuca, Kelley DeLuca, Martha Emrey, Stephanie Greene, Baron Hyatt, Greg Knox, Amanda Morse, Tracey Podsobinski, Ben Ream, Heather Ream, Melanie Rose, Lee Ann Smith, Ann Viera, Becky Wade, David Wilson.

Guests attending: Officer Wiggins (KPD).

Welcome and approval of Minutes of previous meeting

Kelley DeLuca welcomed everyone to the meeting. Thank you to Chris and Rachel Caldwell for providing snacks. Kelley stated that last month's minutes erroneously named Becky Wade as snack volunteer.

Motion made by Ben Ream to amend the May 17, 2017 Minutes to correctly identify Chris and Rachel Caldwell as snack volunteers. Amended minutes seconded by Amanda Morse. Vote: all in favor. Motion carried.

KPD update

Officer Wiggins stated that he has no information yet on the fight that occurred on Flamingo a couple of months ago. He promised he would update Kelley when he got more information. The Executive Inn was recently robbed. There are no suspects at this time. Packard's Games in Chapman Square was also burglarized. There was a drug and weapon arrest nearby but it wasn't the suspect they were looking for. Officer Wiggins reminded us to write down the serial numbers of our property to help recover them if they are ever stolen. He stated that summer is a very active time for burglary. He also warned against jumping off the bluff at Fort Dickerson quarry due to the danger of the fall and the risk for rescue workers to also get hurt. He mentioned that all calls to the police get plotted onto various "crime maps," even when calls turn out to be nothing important (ex: an "items stolen" call on Tipton that turned out to be dogs stealing the items). He asked us to please be cognizant of that when assessing the amount of crime in Knoxville.

Dogwood Elementary

Adam Fritts was not able to attend due to vacation.

Election of Officers

Kelley stated that since our last meeting, Stephanie Greene has been nominated for Secretary, and Heather Ream has been nominated for Vice President. Both offices are 2 year terms. Kelley suggested that since no one else had sent in nominations, that the LFNA vote to confirm both nominations together in a public vote. She asked the LFNA members present if anyone disagreed with this or preferred to do the vote anonymously. No one had objections.

Motion made by Ben Ream to nominate Stephanie Greene for Secretary and Heather Ream for Vice President. This was seconded by Tracey Podsobinski. Vote: all in favor. Motion carried.

Yard Sale

Ben Ream reported that the neighborhood yard sale will be held rain or shine on June 24 from 8-2. He thanked the flyer team and Tracey Podsobinski for their help in preparation. Signage will be put up early Saturday morning due to the rain forecast on Friday. A city yard sale permit was obtained and purchased by Ben Ream for \$10.

Motion made by Martha Emrey to reimburse Ben for the \$10. This was seconded by Dorian DeLuca. Vote: all in favor. Motion carried.

Neighborhood Sign update

Ben Ream has been following up with LF businesses since they've received the general welcome and solicitation letters that Kelley mailed last month. Executive Inn has promised to donate \$100. Ben stated he thinks Tennessee State Bank will donate as well. O'Reilly's donated a \$25 gift card. Ben is going to post on Facebook to see if anyone will buy the gift card for cash that we can use towards the signs instead, since we should have no use for anything at O'Reilly's for sign creation. Representatives from

Graystone have said that we may count using their meeting space as a donation. Kelley will follow up with them to get something in writing.

Historic Sign update

Ann Viera suggested that we use the previously used obelisk sign posts in the historic section for any future historic section signage. Becky Wade stated that some of them would need repair. Kelley stated that it was probably time to form committees of residents who live within the historic section in order to move forward with this project and gather feedback about interest and options. Becky and Dan Podsobinski, who had previously expressed interest in this topic, will try to meet soon to discuss any possible protective historic zoning available. Becky stated that there are several levels of possible protective zoning, some less restrictive than others. The signatures of at least fifty percent of homeowners in the historic section would be required for any zoning change.

Melanie Rose, Lee Ann Smith, and Tracey Podsobinski will try to meet soon to discuss options for possible historic markers. If anyone else is interested in being a part of these committees, please tell Kelley.

Logo/neighborhood sign design

Greg Knox brought several examples of potential LF logos and/or sign designs featuring dogwoods, trees, and lampposts. Members attending the meeting circled their favorites of the examples. Greg will also post these examples on FB to get more feedback from others unable to attend the meeting. We will vote on a design next meeting.

SKNBC meeting update

LeeAnn Smith reported that SKNBC may be able to have the neighborhood welcome bags donated. There are also supplies left over from the last batch, so those will be used as well. SKNBC may apply for a grant to fund a SKNBC website. LeeAnn also reported that the funding for the potential BMX track at SDMS has been approved. She also stated there will be a City Council candidate forum on Tues, Aug 1 at Woodlawn Christian Church at 6:30 pm.

Becky Wade stated that there will be a City Council workshop about the proposed ordinance for short-term rentals (like Air BnB) next Thursday.

Treasurer's report

A copy of the monthly Treasurer's Report is also available to LFNA members. Contact Kelley or Heather for a digital copy.

President's Report

Kelley met with a local woodworker about the neighborhood entrance signs. Kelley brought pictures of some of the artist's previous work. She also called Allen Signs to see if they do woodworking. They do, but it is sub-contracted, so we probably would not be able to get any discounts.

It is time for a new neighborhood grant cycle, and Kelley is considering writing one to fund pet waste cans for the Dogwood playground. She recently spoke with the Dogwood principal who was enthusiastic about the idea. If we are given permission by Dogwood, we may not have to go through the city for approval.

July meeting

Motion made by Heather Ream to cancel the July meeting due to members taking vacations. This was seconded by Amanda Morse. Vote: all in favor. Motion carried.

Snack Volunteers

Amanda Morse has volunteered to bring snacks for the August meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Heather Ream, Secretary.