

Colonial Village Neighborhood Association  
Meeting Minutes  
January 16, 2002

Meeting called to order by Anne Wilson, Vice-president at 7:00pm.

Board members also present were Michael Morofsky, Randy Williams, Linda Seibold, Jim Beckwith and Diane Krantz.

Board members and new attendees introduced themselves.

The winners of the Annual Holiday Home Lighting Contest were introduced and awarded certificates and prizes. This year's winners were:

Tracy and Luanne Ladley	2027 Mt. Hope
Jill and Jerry Docking	1916 Gordon
Alice and Ben Wyatt	2519 Concord
Tammy and Gary Hawks	1817 Victor
Kathy and John Smith	220 Boston

Tim Holmes, Postmaster for the Lansing Branch of the United States Postal Service, Lori Demick, Media Relations and David Conwell, Station Manager of the Lansing Branch of the USPS, were present to answer question and concerns from members.

Mr. Holmes stated that the collection box on the corner of Poxson and Marion will not be removed. He suggested that if residents do not want postal carriers crossing their lawns they can contact Area Supervisor, Steve Graham at 272-9936.

In response to the events of September 11th and the anthrax cases security was reinforced and identification badges became mandatory.

Mr. Conwell suggested if someone needs extra time to clear snow from their sidewalk they can call the Postal Station and have their mail held for a few days.

Michael Morofsky motioned to write a letter to Lansing Police Chief Ally to notify him of our meetings in the future, to help assure a police representative will be present. Motion passed.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Jim Beckwith reported the bank balance was \$561.91.

Anita Beavers, member of the grant committee, reported on the communication grant that we are applying for from the Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Council. The grant will pay for a neighborhood brochure, newsletters and meeting signs.

In response to issues with Eleanor Love, Code Compliance, Carol Wood of the Lansing City Council suggested setting up a meeting to include Tony Benavides, Ms. Love and someone from the Mayor's office as well as our own CVNA members to try to resolve these issues.

Michael filed a complaint with the Department of Environmental Quality to find out what

happened to 3 unlabeled barrels that were behind the gas station on Mt. Hope. Michael mailed out brochures about front yard parking to area offenders.

Randy reported in Area 3 there is a continuing problem with crows including garbage bags being torn open. There are no predators in the area. Owl or replicas may help scare them away.

The proposed Wolverine Pipeline continues to be an issue. Joe MacDonald from Representative Bernero's office reported that there was a public hearing in January on the application to secure the right of way along the highway. City Council and the Ingham County Board of Commissioners opposed the application. No decision will be made until April.

Victor Celentino, County Commissioner, sent a letter to the Public Service Commission opposing the pipeline as a danger to the Saginaw Aquifer.

Carol Wood spoke about the controversy of moving public comment at council meetings to an un-televised portion at the end of the meeting. The goal is to make council more accessible and not subject everyone to comments unrelated to city business.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20.

31 attendees including 6 board members were present.  
Submitted by Diane Krantz