



Colonial Village Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes (CVNA)

January 19, 2005

President Anita Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Board members present were Anne Wilson, Thelma Dempsey, Mike Morofsky, and Greg Kozak. Peg Greer acted as secretary for Willie Vinson. Thirty-five members and guests attended.

Lansing Police Department Report: Officer Jason Bock and Sgt Wright presented print-outs of criminal activity: mugging in November 2004 on the corner of Wellington and Lorraine, theft on Pattengill, assault on Holly Way, and burglary on Boston. There is an ongoing problem with a juvenile on Boston. Police are monitoring increased traffic and parking at the 1300 block on Victor and similar problem on Lorraine. Neighbors advised to call LPD. Several incidents of K9 Corp activity were of concern. Sgt Wright will follow up on those concerns and report on those activities.

Guest Speaker: Steve Chalker, Recycling Coordinator of the Lansing Public Service Department, gave a broad history and description of how the recycling program works. Proposed changes and information to increase participation re: cost comparisons were given. Informational material was also presented.

Holiday Lighting Awards: Anne Wilson and judges from the Colonial Woods Senior Complex toured the village. First place winners were Ann Wyatt and her son. Many hours went into their display on Concord. Sandra Bennett was awarded second place for her decorations on Holly Way. The Norrises on Mt. Hope and the Deasons on Boston were awarded Honorable Mention.

Minutes: The November minutes were approved and placed on file.

Treasurer's Report: The report was approved and placed on file. Current balance is \$460.13. Income \$80.00. Expenses \$75.00 (Donation to Grace United Methodist Church)

Vice President Report: Anne announced the nomination of Evie Bush for the Bea Cristy Award. This annual award for outstanding neighborhood volunteers will be held at the *Lansing Center February 18th*. *Tickets are available. Cost \$15 each. Contact Anne or Anita for information.* Evie has been a treasured member of CVNA. She is always ready to volunteer for projects and is a most caring, helping get things done neighbor. The Neighborhood in Bloom Project was a huge success. We will request 40 flats for 2005. Volunteers are needed to transport, plant, and maintain the flowers. Anne listed our many project and activities during 2004. We look forward to another active year of accomplishments.

President Report: Suggested a motion to donate to the Red Cross for Tsunami victims. The motion passed to donate \$50. Submitted information received from Lansing School Board Annual Report. Presented information from the Capitol City Library — on the third Saturdays of the month from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. patrons can find lost information on their homes at the Forest Parke Library and Archives section of the main library. Anita agreed to notify traffic Dept/Public Service about problem of snow removal, speeding snowplows and identification of street bump-outs.

Area One: Mike Morofsky continues to follow up on ongoing problems.

Area Two: We need an area rep. Please call Anita if you would like to volunteer.

Area Three: Greg Kozak reported a broken water main in 3000 block of Boston is being repaired. Final work will be done when weather permits. A problem with a juvenile on Boston is being monitored.

Committee Reports: June Kenfield thanked Greg Kozak and the Beavers for their help with putting up the “Red Bows on Boston.” Ann Leeper has generously donated the many bows. Those bows still up will be removed weather permitting (meaning less snow and higher temps.)

City Council: There were no council members present.

South Lansing Community Development Center Report: Kathy Dunbar announced “Taste of the South Side” an event planned for April. Further information will be presented at the February meeting. Discussed rental Vs ownership noted that realtors/investors are buying homes — converting them to rentals. They are protected by law to do this. If individual sells home they can obtain a restrictive deed clause by going to the Register of Deeds. This would prohibit buyers from renting. This only applies when homeowners sell. Mark Litton, City Attorney, deals with housing issues.

Code Compliance: Greg Scrimger continues to monitor for code violations. Call him if you have concerns.

County Commission Report: Dale Copedge thanked members for their support and to call him if there are concerns he might be able to address.

Neighborhood News and Announcements: Members were encouraged to bring flower pictures to brighten the February meeting.

Door Prize Winner: Virginia Mackey won a gift certificate to Kentucky Fried Chicken

Meeting Adjourned at 8:50 PM.