



## Colonial Village Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes (CVNA)

July 21, 2004

President Anita Beavers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Other Board members present: Anne Wilson, Michael Morofsky, and Willie Vinson. Thirty-nine members and guests were present.

Lansing Police Department Report – Officer Jason Bock provided a map showing offenses in the area and asked neighbors to be on the look out for some boys on bikes riding through the neighborhood causing problems. Also residents were asked to report if they see anyone sitting in their car, looking suspicious, by the Speedway Station. Calls can be anonymous.

Andrew Kilpatrick, Assistant Transportation Engineer, Lansing Transportation and Parking Office – Presented three options for delineating parking areas and deciding what to do about the bike lanes on Pleasant Grove from Mt. Hope to Holmes Rd. It was moved and seconded to accept option two, which included striping for parking, removing existing bike lane markings and the use of a special material to highlight corners. Additional suggestions should be forwarded to Mr. Kilpatrick at the Lansing Transportation and Parking Office. The plan will be presented to the Traffic Board in August. He said they are looking at the end of September for resolution.

Minutes - It was moved and second to accept the Minutes of the June 16, 2004 meeting.

Treasurer's Report - It was moved and second to accept the treasurer's Report. The current bank balance is \$2,541.96. The CVNA City Grant for sign, a second City Grant, City Beautification Grant and \$70 picnic donation are included in this total.

Vice President's Report – Anne Wilson made the following announcements:

- A special thanks to everyone who participated in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life,
- smoker quit kits are now available,
- 50 flats of flowers were received and planted in the neighborhood. Thanks to Evie and Anita for hauling and storing and thanks to everyone for helping with the planting, maintenance and watering.
- A car was broken into and items stolen in the 1900 block of Gordon Ave.
- A special guest will be at the August 3 Neighborhood picnic which will be held at Elmhurst School.

President Reports – Anita Beavers announced that:

- August 5 – Ice Cream Social will be held at the South Precinct
- August 3 – CVNA Neighborhood picnic volunteers are needed to help with the moonwalk, hand out food, cotton candy, set up and clean up.
- MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) – a MOPS group will begin meeting at Grace United Methodist Church the 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays of each month at 9:30 a.m. beginning in September. Childcare provided. Call Lisa Lupini 482-5750 for more information.
- Donations accepted in the name of Lou Glatz and will be donated to Woldmar.

Area One Report – Michael Morofsky thanked Joe McDonald of Virg Beneros office for his help in getting Reid Machinery to cease their burning operations and transfer them to another facility in the near future. The plastic covers over the speed humps on Rundle Ave. between Pattengill and Boston are temporary speech humps placed at neighbor's request. Attended City Council meeting, presented photos and reported street signs that need repair or replacement. Joan Bauer, City Council president said she would take care of it. Replay can be seen on Channel 12 later in the week.

### Committee Reports

American Cancer Society's Lansing Relay for Life —Evelyn Bush, chair & June Kenfield, co-chair reported the Relay, held June 26- 27, 2004 at Everett High School, was a big success. Twenty-two members from CVNA, Sagamore and Olds/Everett neighborhood Associations participated and raised \$2,522.00. Ashley Bason was

awarded a special certificate for raising \$200 in two days. Sponsors were L&L, Rite Aide, and Complete Rental. Diane Krantz was thanked for providing chair massages as an on-site fundraiser and Jamie was thanked for the Irish Band that provided entertainment. The overall event raised \$53,000.

CVNA Sign— June Kenfield reported the site chosen for the sign located on Martin Luther King Jr Blvd and Mt. Hope has been sold. A 15 x 15 area was reserved for the sign. She is still waiting for approval to place the sign.

#### Neighborhood News and Announcements

Lansing City Council —Carol Wood reported that Sgt. Wright has been placed on special duty temporarily. In September, budget talks resumed. The budget consists of \$500,000 infrastructure and \$500,000 personnel. Brian Jeffries announced public hearings and educational sessions were being held by the Lansing Board of Water and Light pertaining to lead pipes and possible lead contamination. Meetings will be held on 7/22 (5-8 pm.) at the Board of Water and Light on Aco Drive and on the 28<sup>th</sup> at Cristo Rey.

Ingham County Board of Commissioners—Victor Celentino reported that budget talks resume in September; Participated in the Hawk Island Park Playground grand opening. The park, located on Cavanaugh, east of Pennsylvania, is the only county park located in an urban setting. He announced he would be unable to participate in CVNA's picnic this year because he is running for re-election as Ingham County Commissioner and Elmhurst School is the home of two precincts.

Community Development Association— Kathy Dunbar reported: 1) the south side neighborhood picnic held at Hawk Island Park July 18 (1 – 5 p.m.) was a success and thanked the City Council, and their sponsors for supporting the event. 2) The second annual South Side Community Showcase will be held on Saturday, August 28 from noon-4 p.m. at Benjamin Davis Park on Pleasant Grove road.

Guests— April John, Barb Crib, Scott Bason, Ashley Bason, Elizebeth Gibbs, Debbie Baker, Jim Nelson in addition to:

- 1) Brian Signor, running for County Commissioner
- 2) Joe McDonald, Virg Benero's Office, announced public hearings on setting insurance rates based on credit scoring. Comments will be received until the 30<sup>th</sup> of this month.
- 3) Dale Copping, running for County Commissioner.

Drawing - Winner of the sixth drawing (a \$10 Pizza Hut gift certificate was Craig Young

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

***Due to the Picnic on August 3, no meeting will be held in August.***