

**Present:** Karl Biasi, Jay Knapp, Mike Morofsky, Suzanne Salay

**Police Report** – Patrol officer A. Pearson presented a crime map and a list of criminal activities in the neighborhood. She was unable to stay. Karl has the reports. A new version of the map was presented with no copies for individuals.

Minutes for 4/20/2011 were approved with the following correction: Dr. Graesser stated “A physician licensed to practice in the state of Michigan must review your medical records and sign a form, *not a prescription*, stating that the patient would benefit from the use of marijuana.”

**Treasurer’s Report:** Beginning balance was \$1,468.77. Income was \$11.00 in member donations from the previous meeting, \$40.00 donated in memory of Gary Bush, and \$370.00 from newsletter envelope donations, totaling \$421.00. Expenses were \$297.70 for printing the spring newsletter, \$250.00 for obstacle course for August, 2011 picnic, for a total of \$547.70. Ending balance is \$1342.07.

**President’s report:**

-Karl received a thank you from Virginia Mackey for flowers and donation in memory of her husband David.

-The newsletter contributions have been positive and interesting with notes expressing appreciation of CVNA.

-The website and facebook page are being looked at to make more information available. A possibility is using facebook as an alert system of communication.

-The neighborhood garage sale is May 21<sup>st</sup> and ads have been placed in the Lansing State Journal. There is an evening event on the 21<sup>st</sup> from 7:30 to 9:00 with a plant exchange and showing of the family film, “Up”.

**Vice-President** – No report.

**Area 1 report; Mike Morofsky**

-Mike updated the issue of street and curb repair on Rundle. There is still need for repair. There was vandalism at Rite Aid, the beauty shop, and the pedicure shop. Windows and a door at Rite Aid were damaged. Police were notified. There was a break-in on Holly Way. Police have the license plate number of the suspect vehicle. There was a break-in on Cooper (Garage door may have been left open or unlocked).

-Problem with strong (moldy) odor in area. This was referred to the Michigan Dept. of Environmental Quality and to General Motors environmental engineers. Mike stated odor is possibly coming from the GM painting process.

-Some yards are not mowed. You can call Walter Allen at 483-4335 to report unmown yards.

-Mike suggested a letter be sent to the proper authorities regarding the possibility of losing code compliance officers.

**Area 2 report; Jay Knapp:**

-Jay reported no problems in the area at this time. His number, 702-0574, will be posted on the CVNA website. He is also working on the website and facebook page.

- Jay made a motion to have a letter written to the proper authorities regarding the code compliance issue. Motion was seconded by Mr. Swix. Karl will write the letter.

**Area 3 report; Bill Matt:**

- Bill stated that CVNA needs to find out the status of the wetland designation of the woods and the tax abatement of Reid Company. This will be followed up with the appropriate agency.
- A suspicious older-model Pontiac Bonneville was seen in the area, possibly linked to break-ins. Bill reminded neighbors to be on the lookout for suspicious activities and report them to the Lansing Police Department, their Area Rep, and Neighborhood Watch.

**Speaker:** Julie Powers, Director with the Mid-Michigan Environmental Action Council, spoke about the 2011 Walkability Audit being done in conjunction with AARP. They are seeking volunteers to help conduct a study to evaluate the quality of streets and sidewalks in Lansing. The project will run from May through September. Volunteers will receive a half hour of training and can do the study as they walk. They will be assigned a four-block area. There are two sections in the Colonial Village area. Those interested can sign up at the CVNA meeting and/or call Karl Biasi at 487-1713 or Karen Kafantaris with AARP at 267-8916.

**Committee reports:** Chris Herrman of the South Lansing Community Development Association reported that a study of the surrounding community will be done to help with finding tenants for the Colonial Village Shopping Center, and volunteers are needed. A meeting on June 11<sup>th</sup> will provide more details. You can contact Chris at 347-5700 or via email at [chris@southlansing.org](mailto:chris@southlansing.org).

**City Council report:**

- A'Lynne Robinson presented updates on the budget and expressed an understanding of the concerns about losing code compliance officers. An explanation was given regarding future layoffs, city purchases and medical marijuana ordinance.
- A ballot proposal on the sale of 12 acres of Red Cedar Golf Course and a separate proposal for development of Waverly Golf Course are to be presented at the next City Council Meeting.
- Decisions regarding the location of medical marijuana dispensaries are still a work in progress.

**Ingham County reports:** Dale Copedge was unable to attend but sent updates of information about the county budget and available appointments to the Equal Opportunity Committee and the Ingham County Family Center Advisory Board. There is also an ongoing review of the county reapportionment issue.

**Neighborhood News and Announcements:** Rory Neunan announced her candidacy for City Council At-Large Member.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm

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