

Old Southside Neighborhood Association
February 10, 2016
1125 S. Meridian Street

Officer Kimberly Evans reported that there will be a meeting of all IMPD districts on March 9th at IU Fairbanks Hall. 340 West 10th Street, details to follow via emails from the various district.

Chief David Hofmann was in attendance and congratulated on his new position as Chief of Police for the City of Lawrence.

There was an update on the Great Indy Cleanup scheduled for April 23rd and the Wildlife Habitat along the east side of Koch Electric. On that same day the Public Allies will paint house numbers on trashcans to help prevent theft.

Tom Ward of OmniSite updated everyone on the progress of 203 W. Morris Street. They plan on moving in February 23rd with an Open House at a later date.

Angie Calvert from SE Community Center reported there are several programs at the center to prepare people for the job market and it's all free. Tutors for school children are always needed.

James Shepardson reported about the classes some residents are taking at Indianapolis Neighborhood Resource Center. The classes meet once a month for six months and teach leadership skills.

Justin Moed. The Legislature just finished the first half of session. When homes are abandoned it's hard to press charges against trespassers because the owner can't be found. One bill progressing through the session would change the burden to the person who is trespasses. This bill has passed the House and is now in the Senate for consideration. Justin authored a bill that has to do with food deserts. Provides funding to sources such as grocery stores, co-op, and farmer's markets. Marion County leads the nation on pharmacy robberies. So another bill has been moving through the process that would help a pharmacy take more safety measures. Helping them to keep their store safe. Justin's tree give away will be April or May.

Larry Baldauf gave an overview of the Fuller Center and the Miracle on Caven Street. John Sauter is planning an event on March 7th for the 2016 Fuller build. Larry mentioned that the 2017 National Convention for the Christian Church Disciples of Christ will be held in Indianapolis. There are preliminary talks about building panel walls at the convention center.

Officer Evans answered the concerns about the presence of code enforcements and television reporters over by Babe Denny Park recently. There have been on-going

problems with individuals who park cars on sidewalks and in the park and collect money from unsuspecting people who then get towed. Officers are going to go door to door to inform property owners.

Southeast Congress is March 24nd and will be hosted by the Old Southside. Any new businesses in the neighborhood will be introduced at that time. The Community Team Builder usually gathers this information.

The next Keep Indianapolis Beautiful meeting for the Great Indy Cleanup will be February 25 at 5:30 at the Parish Hall. An email reminder will be sent.

It was reported that John Calloway turned 100 and there were many events to celebrate the occasion, such as a resolution from the City County Council, a proclamation from the White House, and a Sagamore of the Wabash.

Representative Moed gave an update on Lenny's appeal to the Alcohol Tobacco Commission for the liquor license. The hearing judge upheld the April decision of the ATC Commissioners. The Commissioners will hear the judges findings at one of the meetings in March. Lenny's has 15 days from receipt of the letter to appeal. Would then go to a Civil Court.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Attendance:

Officer Kimberly Evans
Chief David Hofmann
John Bragg
Larry Baldauff
James Shepardson
Tom Ward
Peggy Ward
Beatrice Miller
Beverle Kane
Pete Kuhns
Mary Beth Kuhns
Angie Calvert
Guest with Angie
Judith Essex
Lela Gallagher
Richard Essex
Peter Marbaugh
Representative Justin Moed