

ENO General Membership Meeting June 4, 2014

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm by Nancy Mahlow

Motion to place ENO May minutes on file by Cheryl 2nd by Rock It passed.

The 2000 Block of MI project- Nancy Have you seen the planters and bike racks made out of palettes and painted? Many people have worked on it including Reach Art Studio, Teen Challenge and many more businesses added in. They are now going to call the business district "East Town". This comes as a part of the Cheaper, quicker, project for the Eastside. As money coming in they will be adding to it and hoping to expand it to from the highway to Pennsylvania Ave. There will be parkettes which would be to take a couple of parking spaces to put tables and such for people to use. The picture of the East Town will be on the cover of the ENO spring paper. BWL came out and put the twinkle lights up on the light poles. Some of them do not work yet. BWL has been told about them. It was suggested to see if we can get them to come on with the street lights, instead of 24/7.

Jody asked to send her regards as she had a funeral visitation to attend and cannot be here tonight. Please attend her 1st Saturday this week at 10:30- noon at the Avenue.

BWL- Bob Perialas BWL has announced the mast program to help people repair them at their homes. It is the property owners' responsibility. The plan is to have BWL to send a list of electricians to do the work and BWL will cover the cost and the homeowners can send the money in 12 monthly payments and not be gorged for money. Questions: There should be a smart app for phones and tablets for reporting outages. They are working on plans in each department for working on all types of emergencies not just a flood. Questions about senior citizens and the medical alert form: There is some misinformation. He is taking it back to the BWL so that they can clear it up for people. Question about the water prices going up was asked. Inflation is the answer to why they are raising the rates.

No July and August meetings. Join on Wednesday September 3rd for our next meeting

ENO Paper should be out sometime next week.

Land use Quad meetings- are stilling going on. They include Joan Nelson (ANC) Nancy Mahlow (ENO) Brian McGrain and Rebecca Bahar-Cook (County commissioners), Jody Washington (1st Ward City Council) and Andy Schor (State Rep).

Treasurer's report- Theresa There is no report; she had to work this evening.

Eastern Alumni will be hiring an independent contractor to look at Eastern and give their opinion on whether the school can be upgraded, construction issues etc... They will give details and updates. Discussion on what could happen to Eastern was held.

Candidates Night is Oct 1 during our regular meeting times. It will begin at 6pm with a meet and greet time. At 6:30 we will begin the question and answer sessions. We are inviting the candidates for the Lansing School Board, County Commissioner Districts #2, 4,5,10, State Rep and State Senate.

We are considering asking the judges to come to talk about their courts as our presentation at future meetings. Examples would be District, Circuit and Probate Courts.

Police Advisory Board- Nancy There is an issue that came up at the police advisory board meeting last night. In the Green Oaks area they are having a huge problem with prostitution and drug houses. The advisory board is going to write a letter to Mayor and public safety committee and Joan Jackson Johnson. They are confused on why the johns pictures are not be published as the same for someone who robs, kills etc.... Nancy would like ENO to write a letter regarding the prostitution problem on the Eastside and the entire city. The board voted to do this. There are positions in the administrative sections of the LPD They are bringing more 4 officers on soon. Question was asked to have shift times put on monthly phone lists

ANC- Denise Paquette- June 14th is the next Active Neighbors Café titled Home Ownership on the Eastside. It starts at 10 am. Market Walk starts next week. New Eastside Neighbor is out will lots of information about what is going on at ANC, the AMP and the Eastside.

LNC- Cheryl- They are getting calls still about tree limbs in the yards please have them contact LNC soon Home repairs needed to call them as well. There are no specific qualifications for it but will check to see if they can help. After the ice storm the office is working on getting communications out to the neighborhoods in a quick better fashion. They are working on a "DID YOU KNOW" form for when the power is out. Questions about how the LSD presidents' forum (rescheduled) went and they had a good turnout and lots of information was shared.

LSD School Watch- Program is just starting up and is going well.

What is the activity at Riverfront Apartments? Willy Williams will be willing to be the contact for over there so that they can be included in getting information about what is going on around town.

Motion to closed the meeting by Cheryl- 2nd by Marti It passed

Meeting closed at 8:10pm

Submitted by
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ENO Secretary