

ENO General Membership Meeting Minutes February 3, 2016

The Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by president Nancy Mahlow

Minutes from the January 2016 meeting were looked at. Brian B motioned to approved the minutes as written. 2nd by Theresa. It passed.

Introductions were made around the room.

City Council Update- Judi Brown Clarke Things are going well coming into this year at council. They had a slate before they did the election of officers. They have had some challenges on how to deal with long term health care costs. This is a very large amount for the liabilities long term health care costs. The council is listening to the advice from the financial health team. They are hoping that by the end of the year they will have some plans in place. First line responders (Police, Fire,) can retire earlier than most people where most employees are 62-65 yrs old on average when they retire that is why we have so many more in the retirement stages. Question was asked about zoning and asked that the council member watch it for the marijuana growing factories and how things are zoned along with industrial (example 3 businesses out of 1 location on Michigan Ave used car lots, mini mart and cell phone store). Please look at details for them in the future so that this does not become a major issue. The new Form base code was just passed at the Planning board meeting last night. Nancy mentioned the quad group's letter for the marijuana to move on that ordinance to make these businesses legal or shut them down that it was send to council as well as the ENO letter for using the funds from the sale of the south 2000 block of MI parking lot to fix the north side alley and parking lot. Drain projects for Grosbeck golf course will be discussed at the next two council meetings.

The Lansing School District did not come to do our presentation. Nancy will try to reschedule it for the March meeting.

Allen Neighborhood Center is hosting their next Active Neighboring Cafe on Feb. 27th. (10-12 noon) Andi Crawford will be presenting about the new code compliance structure and also Valeria from the city will discuss how to use the city website and more to report issues.

Nancy passed around a list of collection bins and who is approved and pending. If you see any that doe not have the permit on it please let either City Clerk Chris Swope or Nancy know.

Nancy had a couple of items to mention to make people and neighborhoods aware of it.

1. Individuals in the area are looking into making Kzoo street area an art district
2. Wanted to let Kelly Groll for Holmes Street Community know that the school building is for sale and Jonathan Lum has the listing for it. He took Scott Gillespie thru it recently.

Discussion on the projects to make sure that Neighborhoods are aware of them . A suggestion was made to have neighborhood contacts to get on email lists for zoning and planning and appeals board. Form base code will look at some areas from regional perspective such as the major avenues. (example: 2000 Block of Michigan)

Election sheet was sent around for people to sign up to be on the board.

Spring Souper Information - Denise Saturday March 12th 4-6:30pm Pattengill Academy We still need donations so please sign up on one of the sheets being passed around. Suggestion was made to have Judge Clarke donate a day in his court and a one on one maybe with lunch for Judi Brown Clarke.

Bea Christy Celebration is Friday March 11th at Pattengill Academy Social hour is 5 pm and Dinner at 6 pm. Tickets are on sale at the Lansing Neighborhood Council office.

LPD sector and contact list for Feb were put on the table to pick up.

Treasurers Report: Theresa cashed in the 2 CDs for a total of 2330.21. She paid the LSJ for the paper \$1,074 \$1612.26 is left.

BWL- Dennis Louney- He just came from the citizen advisory board meeting ,the 9th one. Some of them were about the history and such\; this one was presentations of what systems and ideas of what to do since they have to meet some federal deadlines when they take the plant offline. There are 2 more public meetings. Once the committee has a plan they will bring it to BWL board and then they will have a few public meetings about it. BWL General manager responded to a comment about concerns of Lansing water compared to what is happening in Flint. Dennis read a part of it. Our water is treated before it leaves the water plant before it goes to residents. Service lines have been treated and replaced in the past with better pipes. Question about goodyear plume and it being near the Saginaw aquifer since it is contaminated. They shut down 4 wells because it. Nancy asked about a press conference being held about a project for Cooley gardens Dennis will look into and get back to Nancy about it. Tony Baltimore is the contact person right now for neighborhoods. Dick Peffley, general manger of BWL will be at the committee of the whole Monday for city council.

Judge Clarke- He offered an apology for not being a judge Bea Christy. He is going to be away. You are welcome to sit in this court room anytime. He gave an example about Forest View neighborhood and how he helped them with sending some people to do community service there. He is looking for neighborhood projects that we are doing for some work related punishment instead of fines and such. He is going ;to meet with LNC to have it set thru them. He does prescreen the people he sends out on these. Two projects mentioned to him right now were 127 embankment by Frandor and along Michigan Ave as ideas for this spring.

Eastern- They are still looking for clothes and such. We have over 500 homeless students in the district from the shelters. You can donate money and they can get what they need as well Please contact the school office and they will set you up with the PSTA. Do they want personal items as well? Nancy or Denise will check and let everyone know.

Marty, a Realtor introduced himself, he is from Tommie Raines. Nancy met him at the house across the street from her house and invited him to come.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm

Respectfully submitted by
Denise Kelley
ENO secretary