

ENO General Membership Minutes May 4, 2016

Meeting called to order by Nancy Mahlow, president at 7:00pm

Introductions made around the room.

City Council- Jody Washington unable to be here but her 1st Contact meeting is this Saturday 10:30-12 noon at BWL Depot on South Washington. State Rep Andy Schor and County Commissioner Brian McGrain are her guests for this month.

BWL- Dennis Louney Staff have been working in 14 hr shifts since the ransom ware hit No customer information was compromised during all of this. It messed up voice mail and email for employees. They are bringing laptops in for staff to use. They are going through every file on each computer to make sure everything is ok. They are making changes to what people are allowed to bring into the office regarding the computers/flash drives etc.. They are also changing the backup systems by separating them into sections that can be shut down individually and not go through the entire system. These are just some of the safe guards that they are doing to make sure this and anything like it does not happen again. The Substation plan is still moving forward. The Parks board did pass the request for the Scott House location. It is going in front of the Planning board in May. They have set a May 17th meeting to discuss it..

Red Cedar Montgomery Drain project- Dennis Louney The cut down trees are still there due to certain rules from DEQ so they have to wait until the ground gets to a certain density to remove them Drier and warmer weather is what is needed because it is in a flood plain. The easements were approved finally; things were getting held up from the city's administration The Drain project can start moving in June. MidMEAC asked for our support in the form of a letter to apply for a grant that would be educational and other projects to the area. They will know about in the next 8-10 weeks if they get the grant .

LPD- Officer Garrett Hamilton Some schools are letting students out while the others are testing which is causing a little trouble. The weather is warming up so kids are in the parks more and so far they are doing well. The girls have started coming out more and there are some new and old. He has already put in a request for undercover stings. New camera systems is going in the Lansing Parks Apts across from Hunter park. The new owners have some big ideas. Luckys on Kzoo is closed. Now it looks like a marijuana shop is going in there so will keep an eye on it. New Community Police Officers are coming up in the area in the next few months.: one coming to Potter Walsh- in July., Baker Donora- starting in May and Northtown in May. They are redoing the shifts again in end of May. Questions- Can he do some more tickets in the Clemens and Magnolia are during the night. It is very bad. Clemens St. Construction work being done in June and July. Noise questions is there a time for quiet time? You should call the LPD basically anytime it is causing a problem but mainly after 10 pm. Get to know the neighbors is a way to stop issues before they get out of hand. Is there a way to have the ENO paper to have reminders about ways to get to know neighbors,since there could be new or cultural issue.

Brian Jackson- He introduced himself and told us a little about himself. He is running for the Ingham County Prosecuting Attorney position. He welcomes everyone to please contact him with any questions.

Ingham County- Brian McGrain- The County has millage renewals for 911, potter park, CATA special millage and a new one for the animal shelter to build a new one all of these are on the August ballot. There may be some more on the November ballot as well. He is also on the Land bank board and they just got a new list for new foreclosed houses. They will start working on them and try their best to keep them standing and will encourage home ownership. They have a few houses that they are starting to rent. Cata BRT question was asked about? He does not know much just that it has passed some hurdles and so it moving forward, Will all the houses be rehabbed and some will be sold as is. They will look at each house on an individual basis. They try not to auction them off. The city is in charge of the repairing of Michigan Ave. The city has told us that road work on MI ave will be in 2017 but they will do some repair this year. If you want the shelters back at CATA stops then let them know if one you user one that is gone that you want it back. Nancy is still working on getting the one back in front of speedway on MI ave. Areas around the bus stops with poles is the city's responsible; if there is a shelter it is CATA's. Share your concerns to CATA about what you would like to see going forward.

Presentation- Dave Muyelle- He wants to invite everyone to an open house of his cottages on Leslie street. 10-4 pm 131 137 Leslie on May 21st. He kept in mind when building these that people want to stay on the Eastside during their golden years as well. He has been here over 35 years. He started this project in 2007 and now two are finished. He has designed them to be accessible for everyone. At some point they will be for sale. Condos for sale around a common space is the final goal. Thanks was expressed to Dave for all he has done with his work in the Eastside. There is 2 parking spots per unit that are off the street with carports maybe.

Maggie noted some items about what is going on in our neighborhood and at these types of meetings. If you see young people doing something nice make sure to thank them for being there. She also noted that if you are new to the eastside and walked into this meeting; you would see a lot of complaining so try to include some positive items as well. She thanked those of us who put our hard work into this organization. It was mentioned that there lots of great things happening in each of our neighborhoods if we just take note of them.

Nancy brought 4 draft copies of the marijuana ordinance and copies of the marijuana moratorium for those who need it. She will email it out. She has been attending the public safety committee meetings and Rejuvenating Lansing. It is getting ugly so they will be asking an officer to be at the public safety meetings. We have over 70 shops in the city. They are gathering all their names and locations to put in a database. She also did the same for all the alcohol establishments. They want the caregivers out of the neighborhoods as well due to the secondhand smoke and dangers to others in the area.

Smart 911- you can sign up at smart911.com This would allow 911 to have all the information for your house instantly to help them help you in an emergency.

Police Advisory Board- Nancy -They had their student recognition dinner last night. This is where teachers of 7-12 graders can submit their students (5 of them per grade per school)They have to be considered at risk students. There were 36 students nominated for this. year. Teachers, school counselors or school police officers are the ones who can nominate them They have a dinner for them and each student gets a certificate. They have the mayor ,superintendent of schools and a special speaker attend each year. This year the speaker was an FBI agent. They always try to get someone who was at risk as a child and how well they changed their lives. Nancy gave thanks to the School officers for all their help this year.

LOVE Lansing Celebration May 18th At least 2 people/groups from the Eastside are nominated It is 5:30-8pm at the Lansing Center. The event is free just need to RSVP online.

May 15 1:30-3 for the ABC/Sparrow Playground Celebration. McGruff and Officer Osborn from LPD will be there as well as Sparrow cookies/Lemonade. Please join ABC in this celebration.

Stand down Veterans event is set for Wed May 25th Riverfront park.

April Minutes -Brenda made the motion to accept the April minutes as written. Theresa seconded it and it passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Denise Kelley
ENO secretary