Minutes of the Lindbergh Forest Neighborhood Association (LFNA) Wednesday, May 17, 2017, 6:30 pm Graystone Presbyterian Church

Attendees: Evelyn Barnette, Paul Barnette, Chris Caldwell, Rachel Caldwell, Dorian DeLuca, Kelley DeLuca, Stephanie Greene, Jake Hudson, Baron Hyatt, Greg Knox, Dan Podsobinski, Tracey Podsobinski, Ben Ream, Heather Ream, Ann Viera, Becky Wade, David Wilson.

Guests attending: Adam Fritts (Dogwood Elementary), Betsy Pickle (KnoxTNtoday.com), Stephanie Welch (Candidate for District 1 City Council) Officer Wiggins (KPD), Mrs. Wiggins.

Welcome and approval of Minutes of previous meeting

Kelley DeLuca welcomed everyone to the meeting. Thank you to David Wilson, Ann Viera, and the Reams for providing snacks. Motion made by Ben Ream to approve the Minutes of the April 19, 2017 meeting. This was seconded by Dorian DeLuca. Vote: all in favor. Motion carried.

KPD update

Officer Wiggins stated that crime has been fairly light in our neighborhood. He reported that KPD has had fewer calls at the Executive Inn since the new management took over a few months ago. However, this new cooperation could make it harder to build a nuisance case against EI. Kelley asked about the possible absence of KPD presence after she and another neighbor witnessed a fight on Flamingo and both called it in, one to non-emergency and one to 911. Officer Wiggins promised to check the logs and find out if an officer came out.

Dogwood Elementary

Adam thanked the LFNA for the donation made to Dogwood at the last meeting. They were able to provide ice cream sundaes to the staff for Teachers' Appreciation Week. Adam asked for volunteers to walk the trail behind the school every few days during the summer because benches on the trail are being moved out of position and trash is accumulating.

The grant money awarded by TEGNA may be used for an arboretum behind the school. If so, Dogwood would have the only arboretum at a Knox County School. Also, if anyone ever experiences parking problems due to a school function, please contact the school.

There will be a meeting on June 1 at South Doyle Middle to address a possible BMX park close to the school grounds.

City Council Candidates

Stephanie Welch, City Council candidate for our district (1), spoke for 5 minutes and then answered questions from LFNA members. Her website: https://www.vote4welch.com. Her phone number: 865-368-5307.

SKNBC meeting update

Jake Hudson reported that they are looking for a printer for the neighborhood welcome bags. A city council forum will be held, probably on July 31. Jake reminded the LFNA that we owe \$25 for this year's SKNBC's dues. Motion made by Ben Ream for LFNA to write a \$50 check to pay for 2 years of membership fees. This was seconded by Jake Hudson. Vote: all in favor. Motion carried.

Historic Sign update

Heather Ream reported that she has been in contact with Caroline Eller and Holly Barnett from the Tennessee Historical Commission office. Ms. Eller had stated that LF is allowed to have any sort of historical marker we wish, provided the city approves the location and design. Houses are also allowed to have individual signage of their choosing that is not subject to city approval. Heather stated that the LFNA Christmas home tour from several years ago raised money to be used for signage and preservation, based on the materials she inherited as Treasurer. Becky suggested that our next step should be to form a committee of residents who live in the historic section to discuss our options, as we have no special historic zoning. There are

a couple of different options for historic zoning, each with specific restrictions, and homeowners should be more involved in any decisions or processes. Becky, Dan, and other residents not present have shown interest in being a part of this committee. Kelley asked that the committee contact her when its members have been chosen. Motion made by Ann Viera not to use any money towards a historic sign and instead to use it for other things affecting our neighborhood, like affordable housing. Kelley urged caution in this motion since very few residents of the historic section were present at this meeting, and that it may be premature to make any major decisions without more input. The motion was not seconded and did not carry.

Yard Sale

Based on interest generated on the LFNA Facebook page, Ben Ream announced that we will have a neighborhood-wide yard sale on June 24 from 8-2 if anyone would like to participate. Each household will set up whatever they would like to sell in their front yard, and each household will keep any money made at their sale. LFNA will take care of the advertising. Ben has designed a simple flyer and Kelley will print it up so the flyer team can distribute. Ben suggested we finalize signage at the next meeting. We should be able to use our meeting signs as bases and possibly envelop them in poster board to use. Adam offered to let people park at Dogwood for no charge if needed.

Treasurer's report

For a copy of the Treasurer's report contact Kelley Deluca or Heather Ream.

Neighborhood T-shirt Design

Stephanie Greene has designed a t-shirt with pink, green, and brown on it to be used against a gray background. She suggested that her design be used on the back and maybe an all-purpose LF logo be used on the front breast section. Greg Knox has volunteered to design an all-purpose LF logo that could be used on t-shirts, the website, and possibly the entrance signs. Kelley reminded us that if his eventual logo is used on the entrance signs, his design time can be counted towards our grant requirements. Stephanie continues to collect pricing information about the shirts.

President's Report

Kelley stated that the letters to local businesses asking for donations towards our entrance signs have been mailed. Ben will visit these businesses as a follow-up in the coming weeks.

Kelley met with Rebob at Borderland Woodworking about possibly creating our entrance signs. Unfortunately, he does not have the equipment to create them, but he referred Kelley to another artist. She will contact him.

The pet waste cans for the Dogwood playground and Paint the Pavement are still in process. PTP will be revisited in the fall when school is back in session.

We will have elections for vice-president and secretary positions at the June meeting. Both are 2 year terms. Please tell Kelley if you have any nominations. You may nominate yourself.

Snack Volunteers

Jake Hudson has volunteered to bring snacks for the June meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Heather Ream, Secretary.