

Minutes of the Lindbergh Forest Neighborhood Association (LFNA)

Wednesday, March 20 2019, 6:30 pm

Graystone Presbyterian Church

Attendees: Megan Anderson, Kelley (President), Dorian and Stella DeLuca; Baron Hyatt, Dave Mathis, Ben Ream, Heather Ream (Vice President/Treasurer), Ann Viera, David Wilson

Guests: Aleta Daniels (Keep Knoxville Beautiful)

Approval of Minutes: Kelley DeLuca stated that the Minutes from the September and October 2018 and January and February 2019 meetings still need to be approved. The By-laws state that a minimum of ten neighbors must be present for quorum. As there are only 9 voting members present tonight, no vote can be made. Neighbors discussed changes that could be made that would allow the group to vote with fewer members present. Kelley will speak with Debbie Sharp at the Office of Neighborhoods to learn what might be advisable.*

KPD/Neighborhood Watch Update: Officer Wiggins was unable to attend.

SKNBC Update: Neighborhood representatives on the SKNBC were unable to attend tonight's meeting.

South Knoxville Clean Up – Aleta Daniels

Ms. Daniels spoke about new developments that have taken place at KKB, including a new city-wide Adopt A Road program. KKB will also now be responsible for graffiti abatement in the City. She also spoke about the upcoming South Knoxville Clean Up. Lindbergh Forest will have a clean-up team that will be lead by Kelley DeLuca. Those interested in helping should meet in front of Dogwood on Saturday at 10 am.

Treasurer's Report: Heather Ream reviewed the Treasurer's Report. There was nothing new to report, but Heather reminded the group that we will collect donations for our adopted class at Dogwood Elementary when we gather for our April meeting.

*Approval of Minutes: Due to the arrival of an additional neighbor, voting on a motion to approve the heretofore unapproved Minutes could now take place

Motion: To approve the September and October 2018 and January and February 2019 LFNA Meeting Minutes.

By: Ben Ream

Seconded by: Dorian DeLuca

Vote: All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion of BMX Track at South Doyle Middle School - Ben Ream

Ben Ream informed the group as to the many ways that the proposed BMX track would benefit South Knoxville and Knoxville, as a whole. A great deal of money and effort has already been put in to the project by both individuals and companies who support it. Nevertheless, the County Mayor has indicated that he will not approve funding of the project.

At this month's County Commission meeting, several interested parties asked that the County Commission support the building of the BMX track. During the meeting, it became clear that the Commissioners were woefully uninformed as to the details of the project. It was decided that a smaller Chairman's meeting would be held wherein interested parties could inform the Commission Chair as to these details.

Ben and Heather Ream have drafted a letter to be sent to the County Commission in advance of this special meeting. The letter is meant to be on behalf of many South Knoxville neighborhoods and encourages the Commission's support of the project.

Motion: That the LFNA President will sign the letter, on behalf of Lindbergh Forest neighborhood, indicating that Lindbergh Forest Neighborhood is in favor of the construction of the BMX track.

By: Ben Ream

Seconded by: Dorian DeLuca

Vote: All in favor. Motion carried.

President's Report:

- LFNA paypal account - An LFNA Paypal account has been set up where neighbors can use to make donations to the Neighborhood Association, etc. A link to the account will be posted on the LFNA website.
- New trash can at Dogwood - Neighbors donated \$75 of the \$100 needed to purchase and install a new trash can on the playground at Dogwood Elementary. The school or Great Schools Partnership will cover the remaining \$25.
- Sign project – The carving portion of the signs has been completed. Kelley is trying to figure out where to purchase graffiti proof paint to coat them. Once that has been purchased, she will paint them.

Other Group Discussion:

South Knoxville development – The group discussed the ongoing developments at South Knoxville High and the fact that the work is beginning to make a noticeable improvement

- Kerns building – Aubrey's restaurant is no longer planning a location at this site. Two residential buildings will be going in.
- The Aslan Foundation has purchased the top of Mt. Stanley. The space will be used for a park from which the other South Knoxville parks can be accessed
- Ben Ream mentioned the rumors circulating that the James White Parkway extension will once again be considered
- Heather Ream asked that South Knoxville residents show their support for Baker Creek Bottoms
- Ann Viera asked that the LFNA consider making a small donation to non-profit groups who make presentations at our meetings.

Minutes by Kelley DeLuca