

Minutes of the Lindbergh Forest Neighborhood Association (LFNA)
Wednesday, February 17, 2021 6:30 pm
Virtual

Attendees: Karyn Adams, Ben and Heather Ream, Stephanie Greene, Greg Knox, CJ Sillers, Kelley DeLuca, Dorian DeLuca, John and Lauren Bush, Martha Emery, Chris and Rachel Caldwell, Maggie Davis, Stella DeLuca, Sam Emmons, Brad Pruitt

Guests: Debbie Sharp, Matthew Kellogg, Tommy Smith

Motions:

Ben Motioned, Stephanie seconded-to approve all outstanding minutes. Motion carried.

Ben Motioned, Heather seconded-against simply adding the name Hastie to the neighborhood name. Motion Carried.

Rachel Motioned, Ben seconded-that, at future meetings, the neighborhood association will be open to discussion of the possibility of changing the name of the neighborhood. Motion carried 7/5.

AMBC Update: Matthew Kellogg

27 acres adjoining William Hastie Park being purchased for \$200k

This purchase has the support of the City of Knoxville and Knox County.

A fund-raising campaign will kickoff in a couple of weeks

Donations can be made at AMBCKnox.org

Trailforks and MTB Projects are places that can take donations for up-to-date trail maps.

Dogwood Elementary School Update: Kara Strouse

Halloween 2020 was very successful.

The community would like to be involved in planning the 2021 event and Kara is forming a committee with that aim.

Native Plant protection does neighborhood outreach & would like to plan an event for land stewardship.

Within Lindbergh Forest, Triangle of Glenhurst and Chamberlain can be used for this project.

SKNBC Membership Report: Karyn Adams or LeeAnne Smith

Ed McMahon is coming on March 31, 2021 from Urban Land Institute to give a Zoom meeting about land use in a rapidly changing world. All are invited attend, see Karyn for invitation details

SKNBC is attempting cohesive response to the homeless situation in South Knoxville. Committee has been formed, Tommy Smith is on the committee and is currently creating a fact-sheet for circulation.

Dues are due. 2020 has been paid and 2021 will be paid per Heather.

Neighborhood Landscape Buffers

No adequate buffer currently delineates the residential and commercial boundaries of the neighborhood.

City engineering and City Council have been consulted on this issue, along with the businesses within Lindbergh Forest

Cutouts behind Tennessee State Bank and Hardees may be eliminated in furtherance of this goal.

Treasurer's Report: Heather Ream, Treasurer

Bank Balance is \$3728. A \$30 donation was made by a neighbor. \$34.08 was reimbursed.

If anyone would like a copy of the treasurer's report they can email either Kelley DeLuca or Heather Ream.

First District Update: Tommy Smith

Gun Violence is on the rise. City Council is expecting a \$1M budget resolution to combat violence.

New Smokies Stadium Project is currently being deliberated by City Council and County Commission.

Nothing has been decided yet, there is ample opportunity for community input on the project.

A Sports Authority will be appointed by City and County mayors.

CAC outreach workers currently working with homeless population in South Knoxville. All shelters currently have availability.

President's Report: Kelley DeLuca, President

A security company called Flox Security is offering cameras which are designed to pick up license plates, which are claimed to aid police in tracking crime. This would not be effective in preventing crimes committed on foot.

Kevin @ CTV is doing a neighborhood focus group. It will be 45 minutes long via Zoom. Answers will be recorded from the chat window. The intent of the focus group is to learn how neighborhoods are seeking and keeping engagement.

City Code Enforcement Office is very understaffed. As a result, patrols are not ongoing and the only way to seek enforcement is through direct complaint or call.

Homeless encampment on Chamberlain was removed by KPD and Office on Homelessness.

Officer Rubino, our new Liaison Officer has asked that the neighborhood consider Thursdays as meeting days.

Executive Inn

Kelley spoke regarding the ongoing efforts to address the neighborhood's concerns with the Executive Inn.

A proposal was made to add the name "Hastie" to the neighborhood name. This proposal was defeated via motion. See motions for details.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ben Ream, Secretary