

RCCA Board Meeting Minutes -- DRAFT

Thursday, January 23, 2020, 7:00 pm

Arbor Forest Apartments

Attendance: Ruth Stump, Kathy Boyle, Jeff Friedle, Linda Dunn, Chris Barton, Chris Young, Austin Kaufmann, Marcie Schwartz. Guests: Adrian Ojerio, Jake Parcell, Ben Peacock – MSU Ambassador, Gabe Baracker

- I. Approval of Agenda – Addition of follow up re: 1227 Lilac, Dunn moved to accept with amendments, Friedle seconded, motion passed.
Approval of November 21 meeting minutes – Dunn moved to approve minutes as they stand, Boyle second, motion passed.

- II. Comments from Guests
MSU Ambassador – Ben Peacock provided information about the plan/mission for a winter clothing drive including what materials are being requested, a potential timeline. Requested suggestions for drop-off sites. Suggestions include 1855 Place, ask Pete about church, Fresh Thyme and other merchants on Trowbridge, Red Cedar school – Austin to check with principal and Lutheran church. Ruth – Islamic Center, Ben 1855 Place and Trowbridge businesses. Still determining what type containers. Will be sending draft of flyer to Board for approval.

- III. Reports:
Treasurer’s Report (Linda Dunn) – \$630, same as before, no new requests for money.

Police (Adrian Ojerio) – There have been larcenies in the neighborhood, picking things up out of people’s garages – included a snowblower, a chainsaw, snowboard. Encourage to call 911 if see anything. Monitoring for flooding. Also, if seeing flooding, call 911, fire department. Adrian now off the street, in office working FOIA. There was a fire on Ivanhoe – request Adrian to get more information such as amount of damage. Will increase enforcement of parking for 1227 Lilac, also see below.

City of EL (Jake Parcell) – Updates to City of East Lansing. Biggby will be going into the old Quality Dairy. So far, no requests for out lots of the new hotel Trowbridge. Downtown – there is a request for a new double building on Bogue that would be taller than all other present buildings – will be further discussed at upcoming city council meeting. New taco place opening on Albert. Biggby has moved to the main floor in building on Grand River (next to first ever Biggby) and now has a drive-thru, no present plan for old ‘original’ Biggby. Jake states he might be less available in month of May for (happy) personal reasons.

School Board Update (Austin Kaufmann) – On-going concerns re: future decisions re: which students will start at Red Cedar and who will continue to attend Glencarin as they have done so this year. Concerns include separating sibling groups – including separate drop-offs, two administrations; rules still being worked out. Austin will be delivering ‘treat’ for teachers at Red Cedar this coming week.

CONP Update (Ruth Stump) – With new mayor, form of meeting might be changing. Ruth’s preference would be alternating meetings with and without the mayor. Next Monday, 1/27, Chris Barton to attend CONP, covering for Ruth.

Neighborhood Night Out (Austin Kaufmann) – Will explore Harrison Road House as next place. 1st choice 2/11/2020, 2nd choice 2/18/2020. Alternate Korea House. March – Lasagna dinner at

church, 3/19/2020, if acceptable to church. **April Annual Meeting so no dinner out??** May, possibly Brody Hall, Dunn to explore the hours for that month.

IV. Old Business:

Letter for Kristi White – Have once again discussed and decided Board will not be sending a different/edited letter re: her request for street across from her driveway to become a ‘no parking’ zone.

Over-occupied home on 1227 Lilac: Housing and Code Enforcement has served 8 tickets to the occupants of the home on Dec. 13, 2019. Per Dunn, there continues to be many cars/people at the home, including parking on both sides of the street and no ‘parking tags.’ There will be an informal court hearing Feb. 10th to work on settlement between the city and the occupants of the house.

V. New Business:

Next board meeting dates: February 20, March 19
Set date for annual meeting – April 16, 2020

Kaufmann move to adjourn, Friedle 2nd, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcie Schwartz
RCCA Secretary