

CASGED
COMMUNITY MEETING MINUTES
July 11, 2017 - St. Michaels

Meeting opened by R.A. Dailey with Pledge of Allegiance at 6:35 p.m. Board members present were Bob H., Ruthann D., Raphael W., Joe V., Denise P., and Jeff W.

ZONE 1: Officer Derek Payton gave (6) crime reports of our neighbor that came across his desk;

3 at Family Dollar, 1 stolen purse, 1 flowers off a porch. Check your doors, car doors and house windows. Go to facebook page **pghpolicezone1** No report passed from John Tokarski per O. Payton.

COUNCILW. D. HARRIS OFFICE: Jeff Martin had minimal announcements/updates Arcola Way & S. Garden weeds will be done next week as well as front "sinkhole". The office submitted capital budget and our War memorial will be in it, and hoping all city steps as well. Mentioned were weeds at 900 Chestnut St. The ruts in sewer grates was brought up at Lappe Lane and up on Vista. St. RA mention that she and Nancy are meeting with Jeff and staying on top the T Sales and are meeting with Darlene.

MAYORS OFFICE: Corey Buchner reported it will take a month to follow up with the Lappe Lane sewer grate. He was asked does the city have rodent control in place and he stated that liability issues are involved presently because there is no staff to monitoring it at this time. Also that the city knows that the catch basins need cleaned. He had flyers from the Civic Leadership Academy that will meet beginning in fall. Several of the 200 applicants were from the Northside. Reminder of the July 19th Community Development Block Meeting on Wabash St. was announced. Also that what 2 funding sources the CDBG monies for communities comes from was described. Federal money for HUD which is currently stagnant and \$70,000 every city gets from the state coffers. For example a Summer Youth Program in another Zone. He reminded us that the mayor makes decisions based on what your working on as well as the amount the Community group is asking for. All these are based on our country's budget.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ruthann reported an addition of \$45,000. From ACCBO that was not shown on last month's balance sheet. We closed on 857 Tripoli for \$2,100. Nancy and she are moving them through the process now. They anticipate a 4 to 5 year process. She referred to a community member and asked about the Owner Equity status and was responded that were in good standing. R.A. described the need for our almost owned properties are to have surveys done for them as it is the owners responsibilities and that we have to redraw their existing property lines.

NEW NEWS: Jenny Lou Stalnaker proposed a Free Store Cooperative and she might be at the meeting and describe it for us.

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Tom Pierce committee chairman had no report although he responded to some of what Cory has mentioned earlier about Youth development programs as an ex. Of what other communities propose to spend their CDBG monies and that our community has a lack of "bandwidth" (meaning that we have little numbers of participants to draw from who would engage in a proposal such as that. But the good thing is that we have the potential to begin greeting behind the ideas and driving them toward fruition. Another community member Jia Ji mentioned IGNITE 2.0 and that hopefully Wigle will keep sponsoring events, as well as us utilizing the N2N grants like the one he had received. No word was official on the Hotel date although loans are now in place.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT & CHESTNUT ST. ZONING: R.A. reported that Chestnut St. rezoning and out of all property owners 2/3 took a vote as well as our CASGED board. In the residential/commercial zoning status D. Harris opposed because she thinks we will lose control. The CASGED board is the biggest landowner in this area and we voted for R 1A status. Ruthann mentioned the city planning rep. that helped us was very helpful and accommodating in the process.

PUBLIC SAFETY; Raphael R. reported that NNO and thanks to Dave Kokoski and his committee, it was a huge success and fun for our neighborhood. He also mentioned that Oreen Cohen our mural crafter wants to pain another mural with our neighbor kids.

“G-3”: Joe V. reported that we need to clean up some of our green spaces again.
See him for any
Volunteering you or others would be interested in doing.

After asking for any new items the meeting adjourned approximately at 7:45.
Submitted by Denise Pierce