

Meadowthorpe Neighborhood Association
General Membership Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 7:00 PM
333 Larch Lane

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.
- II. Adoption of the agenda: Tom Blues made a motion to adopt the agenda and Michael Stuart seconded. All were in favor.
- III. Approval of past meeting minutes: Jim Stone made a motion to approve the February meeting minutes and Michael Stuart seconded. All were in favor.
- IV. Recognition of guests and presentations
 - a. Solomon Van Meter, developer for the proposed assisted living facility on Antique Drive, announced that the project is moving forward. He presented conceptual design drawings to the meeting and expects to break ground within the next three months.
 - b. Greg Butler and Maurice Nalley with the Republic Services, as well as Nick Nicolson, attorney for Stoll Keenon Ogden, spoke on behalf of Republic Services regarding the proposed transfer station and conditional use permit. The permit application will be heard with the Board of Adjustment on Friday, March 25 at 1:30pm at 200 East Main Street. The proposed transfer station will accept only non-hazardous waste. All of the waste will be loaded and unloaded in a fully enclosed building and no waste will ever be left overnight. The facility will be in operation from 7:00am to 7:00pm, with the last transfer truck leaving the station at 4:30pm. Trucks will enter the facility from Old Frankfort Pike. Mr. Butler presented facility renderings, advantages to the plans, common concerns presented by the public, and green initiatives such as rain gardens and solar panels. Some questions addressed include:
 - i. Why was the contract at the previous location not renewed by the city? The contract was up after 20 years (the longest contract time per the state constitution) and another company won the bid with the city.
 - ii. Why doesn't Republic Services use the LFCUG transfer station? It is in the company's business interest and is most cost-effective to have vertical integration.
 - iii. Is the building LEED certified (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design)? Republic Services has not come to a decision on this yet.
 - iv. Will the building be soundproofed? Republic Services expects noises within the transfer station building to be comparable to other facilities on Lisle Industrial Avenue.
 - v. How will leachate from trucks be minimized and prevented? The trucks, especially newer ones, have sensors in place to minimize leachate.
 - vi. Will the transfer station affect Town Branch? No liquids will go directly into Town Branch.
 - vii. Is the business required to be inspected by the city? Most of the inspections are conducted by the state; some inspections are monthly and some occur semi-annually.

Tom Blues made a motion to eliminate the hard stop of the presentation and to eliminate the hard stop of the 8:15pm meeting adjournment. Motion was seconded and all were in favor.

V. Committee Reports

- a. Neighborhood Watch Committee and police activity report: Commander Michele Remark addressed the residents' concerns regarding speeding in the neighborhood, especially during peak school drop-off times. Officers patrolling the neighborhood during these peak times have recording speeds between 26-29 miles per hour; in a 25 miles per hour zone. The police will continue with extra control for another one to two weeks. Commander Remark announced that one burglary was reported in the last 30 days, in addition to a robbery of the nearby Chase Bank on Leestown Road.
- b. Community Center Committee: Traci Letcher proposed budgeting for Monarch butterfly house painting kits, a craft activity to be conducted at the same time as the children's speed signs. She requested \$500 from community center budget, and Troy Lyons volunteered to donate the full amount requested for this project.
- c. Communications Committee: Carrie Asalon announced that the MNA website redesign is complete and encouraged the residents to visit the site at www.mnalex.org.

VI. New Business

- a. Coleman Bush presented a video of the current LFCUG transfer station, previously operated by Services. After a general discussion by the membership, Tom Blues made a motion for the Meadowthorpe Neighborhood Association to go on record of opposition to the Republic Services' appeal for the property located at 203 and 205 Lisle Industrial Avenue. Beth Workman seconded. All were in favor.

VII. Motion to adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 8:52pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:



Carrie Asalon, MNA Secretary