

**Meadowthorpe Neighborhood Association
General Membership Meeting
January 10, 2017 at 7:00 PM
333 Larch Lane
Minutes**

7:00 PM **President called meeting to order**

Motion to adopt Meeting Agenda made, seconded and approved unanimously by voice vote
No Minutes of Prior Meeting available

Reports

Ad Hoc committees:

Election - Nominees Committee reports the following have agreed to have their name placed in nomination: Jim Capillo (President) Bill Congleton (Vice President) Linda Melton (Treasurer)

Nominations from the floor: Traci Letcher (Secretary)

Motion to accept the slate as elected by acclamation made, seconded and approved unanimously by voice vote

Board of Directors – There is a recommendation from the November Board Meeting “to set aside advertisement space in the newsletter for neighborhood services (grass mowing, leaf raking, snow shoveling, odd jobs, etc.) which benefit older neighbors or those with physical limitations who depend on the MNA Newsletter ads to get access to those services.” After discussion, a motion to accept the proposed change was made, seconded and approved unanimously by voice vote.

A second recommendation from the November Board Meeting is to change the Community Center rental policy to require a standard rate and cleaning fee from all renters, including the Railroad Club and Hot Rod Club, long term renters who previously had received a discount for signing an annual contract.

An email from Shelby Jett explained the position of the Railroad Club, the Hot Rod Club concurred in its sentiments. The Railroad club proposed that the rate for the Railroad Club be 50% of the usual rate. It was mentioned that in 2007, the Association had agreed to allow the three organizations currently using the center be grandfathered in at a reduced rate which resolution was intended to be binding. It was also recommended that Parks and Rec be consulted since MNA acts as their agent.

A motion to table the recommendation and refer it back to the Board to review these factors was made, seconded and approved unanimously by voice vote.

Plaza - Pavers engraved with your message are now available to Meadowthorpe residents (\$25 each) and Meadowthorpe area businesses (\$100 each). We have received \$2150, plus a waiver of the \$100 filing fee, from LFUCG. These are subject to match by MNA, through paver sales. Approximately \$1400 have been collected.

Standing committees:

Neighborhood Watch Committee – no report

Community Center Committee – LFUCG will install a water fountain inside the Center, purchased with proceeds of rental fees. If it is consistent with current purchasing, it will be filtered water and provide a place to refill bottles.

Park Committee – no report

Communication Committee - About a year ago, Kroger representatives attended a General MNA Meeting and discussed improving the grocery parking lot during the renovations. Several neighbors have noticed that the parking lot has not been improved and there continues to be a rainwater issue, as well as traffic flow issues based upon the relocation of the main Kroger entrance. And the addition of the gas pumps. Beth Workman volunteered to write a letter to the landowner asking that the lot be reengineered to address these issues. The president will sign the letter as a show of neighborhood unanimity.

Meadowthorpe Development Review Committee (MDRC) – no report

Natural Resources Committee–Treatment of 30 ash street trees (out of 57 in the neighborhood) has begun, after a recommended year lapse. This represents a new three-year cycle of treatment. As per previous treatments, MNA will split the cost of each street tree with the home owner. Non-street trees may be treated at homeowners cost.

Neighborhood Spirit Committee– no report

Business

Old Business: None

New Business: Jonathan Washington from Parks and Rec announced an Adult Coloring book class and encouraged neighbors to assign up for the March Citizens Police Academy.

Sasha Love Higgins begins her first session on Council next week.

Announcements - Next meeting – 14 February 2017 @ 7:00 PM

Guest will be Ms. Liz Kingsland of Fayette County Extension Office who will speak on activities they can offer to the community

Motion to adjourn meeting made, seconded and approved unanimously by voice vote at 7:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Jim Capillo Acting Secretary