

# MINUTES



**February 13, 2018**  
**General Membership Monthly Meeting**  
**Meadowthorpe Neighborhood Association**  
**Lexington, Kentucky 40511**

Meeting called to order at 7:01pm by President Jim Capillo.

**Approval of Past Minutes:** Liz Chilton made motion to accept the past meeting minutes, seconded by Jim Stone. Motion passed.

**Announcement:** 2<sup>nd</sup> District Councilman candidate Josh McCurn introduced himself to the membership and asked for support in the upcoming election.

**Station 13 Fire visitors:** Firefighters shared that updates had occurred to their location on Leestown Road. A new concrete street skirt, new bay door and a new bathroom. They encouraged residents to stop by Station 13 with any food and they are requesting shrubbery for the front of their building.

**2<sup>nd</sup> District Councilmember:** Councilmember Smith reported the walking trail around Meadowthorpe Park will be included in the City's 2018-19 budget at a cost of \$75,000. All are invited to the 'Coffee Talk' time on 2/17, 9am at Townley Park Clubhouse to discuss any issue with CM Smith.

**Guest speaker:** Heather Wilson, LFUCG City Arborist, shared a lot of info about the tree canopy, evaluation of street trees, costs and replace/remove funds available to residents. There are 13 crew members, 6 arborists and an Urban Forester employed by the City of Lexington. Approximately 18 trees have been given to Meadowthorpe Park to increase the screening between greenspace and local warehouses. If you spot tree limbs hanging over a sidewalk less than 8', or 12' from the street, call 3-1-1 (Lexington Customer Service), or speak to the resident about the resolving the issue. There will be a walking trail installed in Meadowthorpe Park during the 2018-2019 fiscal year by the City of Lexington. There will be an evaluation of the crab apple trees along Leestown Road, as they are located on city property. There are 12 street trees missing on Larch Lane and Meadowthorpe is 1 of 4 neighborhoods in the entire city to have the famous 'green blob' on an aerial map, due to the extensive tree canopy in the neighborhood.

Financial Report (Linda Melton, Treasurer): Proposed budget was circulated and Carolyn Troyer asked which committee pays for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July flags—answer was Spirit Committee. Move to accept the 2018 budget by Traci Letcher, second by Russ DiBella. Motion passed.

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**VP Report (Bill Congleton, Vice President):** Still need a street rep. for Taylor Drive. Upcoming Board meetings: April 10, July 10, Nov. 13.

**Brick Paver Committee (Jim Stone, member):** Sales continue and applications are available online. Brick prices have increased to \$35 each and will be placed in batches. There were 16 new pavers added in Dec.

**Rock Wall Committee (Jim Stone, chair):** On Jan. 10, 2018 a car accident occurred at Boiling Springs and Leestown Road area damaging the rock wall border. Estimate for \$1,600 for a mason to repair the wall and will be paid for from the driver's insurance company, not the rock wall account.

**MDRC (Jim Stone, chair):** Introduced guest Dennis Anderson (owner of Anderson properties located across Leestown Road) to request approval for a drive-thru car wash to be located next to Zaxby's. Since the property is located in the MDRC area, Meadowthorpe residents must vote to accept the business in the area and the property changes from residential to commercial. There are no traffic concerns. Committee approved acceptance of the car wash, seconded by Jason Sloan and motion passed.

**Parks Committee (Russ DiBella, chair):** There will be 18 or more new trees installed at Meadowthorpe Park.

## New Business

**Meadowthorpe Mamas (Erica Snow, chair):** via e-mail report...Request for new group of Meadowthorpe Mamas to meet on Feb. 21 in the Community Center. Motion made by Traci Letcher, second by Kim DiBella. Motion passed.

**Newsletter advertising policy (Rebecca Price, Meadowthorpe Messenger editor & Communications Chair):** first reading....Businesses who wish to advertise on the back page of the Meadowthorpe Messenger will rotate in a 3-4 month placement.

**Community Center Rental Policy (Gabe Hensley, chair of Community Center Rentals):** request for feedback regarding rental policies, use of center by sub-groups/committees. MNA receives the funds generated by the rentals and must use the money in Meadowthorpe Park or Community Center (upgrades, remodel, additions). Feedback analysis will be brought to at the March MNA meeting.

**Announcements:** Columbia Gas has started repair of lines in the neighborhood. UK Design has selected the Meadowthorpe business strip for a final class project this spring.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m. on motion by Jim Stone, seconded by Kim DiBella.

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