

## **MPNO Meeting – Minutes 06/03/15**

**Present:** Officers Natalie Molnar, Amy Valleau, and Ellen Gallavan, 15 neighbors; Officer Shawn Martinez LPD, two guests

### **May meeting minutes approved**

#### **Guests:**

Katelyn Sherman, Manager of South Lansing Farmers' Market – the vendors usually accept EBT, WIC, credit cards and cash. There have been some rule changes; talk to the vendor about “organic” labels and use of sprays. MPNO will have a booth June 18<sup>th</sup> and July 16<sup>th</sup>.

Matt Gillett, owner of the Saddleback BBQ – (brought samples; yum!) Offering 4 proteins with fresh sides. Opening next Tuesday. No alcohol served. Hours: M – Sat 11-7; Sunday 11-3.

#### **Officer reports:**

- **Natalie** – 1) We had the best display at the Bea Christie awards. Sadly, our nominee – Susan Dougherty – did not receive an award. 2) The city council is wondering if the neighborhood council should be revived. 3) Ingham County blight reduction: \$6 million dollars has been awarded for this program. Most properties slated for tear-down are in the floodplain. No tear-down properties in MP. 4) 300 people on face book say that they are coming to the concert. 5) Lansing Parks and Rec are holding weeklong daycamps for \$25/week.
- **Budget** – no new account activity. Brian returned \$100 from alley cleanup. (The dumpster was filled) Andy Eagle – receipt for display board. \$40 for adds for the neighborhood garage sale.
- **Amy** – newsletter is done. Neighborhood brochure (from Shirley). Updated for new neighbors or potential neighbors, and for realtors.
- **Ellen** – Loran Oils on Aurelius has 55 gallon food grade plastic barrels. \$5 each. Useful for rain barrels.

#### **New business:**

- 2015/2016 officer elections: President Natalie Molnar, VP Matthias Bell, Treasurer David Potts, Secretary Ellen Gallavan

## **Public Safety:**

- **Officer Martinez** – 9 incidents this month; of concern-larcenies from autos. More problems expected during the summer. Youtube has videos about home safety (Door devil kit). Also the “big box” stores have inexpensive alarms. There were fires in trash cans in the park. 416 W. Barnes still in proceedings; 1621 Bradley – eviction; 202 W. Barnes – 3 female juveniles. Question about problem dogs/nuisance complaints: if loose or biting or license question – call animal control. Barking handled by LPD.
- **Andy** – see the videos on the neighborhood watch facebook page. There are volunteers who will help neighbors with door reinforcement.

## **Community Events and Announcements:**

- SLCDA Farmers' Markets – every Thursday from June to September at St. Casimir's parking lot
- Neighborhood Yard Sale – June 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>. Send pics to Jenny on MPNO site.
- Pool opens June 12<sup>th</sup> (**note change**). Historical tour of the Pool before the concert.
- Park visioning series – June 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:30 pm. Meet at the pavilion. We will walk through the Park on these dates and later meet with Dick Schafer to make plans. Call or email Natalie if you can't make these meetings.
- Concert in the Park with the LUVS, Reach Art Truck, Good Truckin' Diner
- MPNO table at the Farmers' Market June 18<sup>th</sup> 3-7 pm
- Neighborhood Potluck July 8<sup>th</sup>
- MPNO table at the Farmers' Market July 16<sup>th</sup> 3-7 pm
- Kids Carnival July 17<sup>th</sup> at the Park

**Meeting adjourned**