

Warleigh Neighborhood Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Agenda

**Attendants:**

**Board: Libby, Lynn Dimond, Lynn Levy, Tammy Sajdyk, Sara Freeman, Courtnet Sahn, Brad Coffing**

**Neighbors and guests: Brienne Delaney, Michael Hills, Jim Polito, Michael Welling, Matthew Keegan**

Old business:

- Garage Sale is September 30th (<https://forms.gle/BPrkVCvUScRwugoUA>)
  - There have been some submissions; will still try and get other people on the call
- Property across from St. Paul's
  - Libby has reached out about the property to see if the property is of any interest to them, or partnering, etc.

Guest Speakers:

- City County Council Candidates for District 2
  - Brienne Delaney – Democratic nominee
    - Former deputy prosecutor and election commissioner looking to bring that experience to bear on the city council.
    - Crime:
      - Investing in mental health
        - MCAT program sends first responders out to mental health calls, and it is underfunded and it is still working
        - Peace keepers program: identify those most likely to commit crime, and try and bring them into the program to connect them with social services, government services, mentorship, etc. – with the recent additions of these programs, we have seen improvement
        - Both of these programs are funded with COVID dollars, so looking forward we need proof that they're working and need to be smart about funding this
      - Reducing illegal guns
        - City has a fully funded 3 assistant US attorney

employees who are City employees working with the federal government to combat illegal guns on the streets

- Fully funding the police
    - Police is having a hard time attracting and retaining officers. They're 300 officers short, but possibly more than that. City Council needs to focus their efforts on keeping the people we need, as we were less competitive than the state police or communities like Carmel
    - Investing in technologies
      - Technology can be to the benefit of the residents – shot spotters, license plate readers – can help officers efficiency and efficacy
  - Infrastructure:
    - Many residents care about it;
    - City is continuing to invest and needs to make sure we're getting our fair share of state funding
      - Indianapolis and the urban areas tend to lose out percentage wise compared to the more rural areas
      - Indianapolis can be working more with the suburban communities to get a proportional
  - Contact information: 317.506.3389 – text or call. Email: [Brienne.Delaney@gmail.com](mailto:Brienne.Delaney@gmail.com)
- Matt Hills – Republican nominee
- Matt thanks to Brienne for both of them running clean, respectably races.
  - Campaign kicked off in January. Matt's wife is from Franklin township, and she made him a "Hoosier by choice" and they moved here after their first son was born
  - Spent his entire life sort of moving – 35 times in his life – and they made the choice to raise their kids here
  - Spent 2 tours in Iraq as a member of the Army. Military experience led him in the desire to be in the service, particularly because this is where they are raising their children
  - He is currently a management consultant
  - Different skillset that he's bringing. Independent and pragmatic thinker
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> deployment in Iraq, he had to train an entire police force and provide the state department's security for the entire region
    - Military – you get asked to solve problems and then have to find a way
  - 3 key tenants in local politics

- Public safety
    - Infrastructure
    - Economic development
  - We should be viewed as incredibly safe, sustainable infrastructure, and smart economy that work for small and local businesses
  - We need to make sure our city council is benefiting all facets of our local businesses
  - Believes he can use his experience in efficiency to help grow the efficacy of municipal spending
- \*Reminder - election day is November 7th

New business:

- Swag shop and fundraiser
  - Be on the lookout for our upcoming online store
  - Effort didn't cost anything for the association but a little effort, and it's still a fundraiser so we can potentially raise some funds too
  - Shop will be open for a specific amount of dates
- Warfleigh Wednesday is October 25<sup>th</sup>
  - Location TBD
- Yoga at St. Paul's
  - There is a yoga class at the church on Tuesday 6-7 and Thursday 630-739, and a neighbor is inviting any Warfleigh resident to enjoy a complimentary class
  - There is a flyer below
- Next BOD meeting is Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>

Additional business:

- Jim Polito made a recent post about the levy – we're expecting a letter of map revision this fall, according to FEMA, and have indicated they have know more questions going forth
  - Once we get the letter of map revision, there are a couple months of notice in the federal register for comment –
    - With a grain of salt – this will all be done by late spring
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