

WNA Board of Directors Meeting 5/9/2023:

Board & Guest attendees: Brad Coffing, neighbor Jim Polito, neighbor Scotty Probert, Lynn Levy, Griff, Sara Freeman, Lynn Dimond, neighbor Gloria Griesinger, neighbor Mark Bangs, Libby Hiple, Tammy Sajdyk, and Courtney Sahn.

- Welcome & Call to order – introductions. 7:06 pm
- Tammy Sajdyk - Update from BRVA Alcohol Task Force meeting held in May at the Indianapolis Art Center. The poorly attended meeting included BRVA, state excise officers and state abatement officials (different from IMPD). Currently, the Task Force does not have much power. They need our neighborhood (and bar owner) participation to remonstrate the issue or renewal of liquor licenses. WNA can help by gathering facts and data. Every two years, bars permits come up for renewal. With sufficient signatures and data, the WNA can suggest license not be renewed.

Gloria asked what type of facts do we need to gather? Task Force has data specialist to help. Task Force says bar owners are also concerned. The issues are caused by interlopers, people waiting outside the bar, after hours. This affects bar business too. Suggestions that parking lot owners privatize their lots. More cameras are going up (generated by IMPD grant for B link services).

Minutes from the BRVA meeting are attached.

- Sara Freeman – Warfleigh Block Party is Sunday June 11th from 3-7p, hosted by neighbor Randy Wasmuth. At event, WNA will have table promoting board, committees, MailChimp sign up etc. Libby Hiple brought up neighbor Chrissy Carlson’s interest in pursuing a Block Party more similar to Summerfest, which was held in past years. Lynn Levy had headed that committee and explained the WNA never made money from the event and it took too much effort to consider repeating. She was very appreciative of Randy’s commitment to neighborhood by hosting the event, and encouraged any other neighbor who does business in Warfleigh to consider sponsorship. If neighbors want to pursue other options to help Randy’s efforts, a committee would need to be formed. Chris Carlson volunteered to help with such committee. The Warfleigh Block Party will substitute for our June Warfleigh Wednesday. We will be hosting a Warfleigh Wednesday in August. Details forthcoming. We need more people to support Warfleigh Wednesdays. Sara reminded everyone to sign up for WNA Insta, FB, and the WNA MailChimp Newsletter (on our website). Saturday May 6th was first annual WNA Beautification day and the WNA board noticed people doing gutter cleanouts and sprucing up yards!
- Lynn Levy – BRVA currently owns property in Warfleigh- the triangle across from St. Paul’s at Meridian Street and 61st, which could *possibly* be made available to WNA. We are researching financial obligation, taxes, insurance, and benefit opportunities. New neighbor volunteer (Scotty) will consider what that could mean, should he decide to head up the Beautification Committee. Jim Polito pulled up map to confirm location, across from St. Paul’s Episcopal. Gloria asked who maintains it currently. Jim Polito

asked if we have capacity to take on this project? Next Steps – mtg with BRVA to get facts/figures by board members Chuck Flynn and Courtney Sahn.

- Libby Hiple – brought up a fundraiser for neighborhood spearheaded by Chuck Flynn. We have WNA koozies that we would offer two branded koozies for a \$10 donation to the WNA at the Warfleigh Block Party. Swag also includes pens courtesy of Griff and his company Broad Ripple Windworks.
- Libby also introduced Scotty Probert, a neighbor who the attended Annual Neighborhood meeting and is interested in heading our Beautification Committee.

Partnership News

- Libby Hiple is meeting Chief Officer of Indy Go on May 15th to discuss complaints, specifically ridership policies and procedures relative to final stop at 66th and College.
- Libby is also meeting with St. Pauls Episcopal Church and Deacon Dennison to explore partnerships.
- Tammy and Lynn Levy are pursuing a Fall Indianapolis Neighborhood Resource Center grant for an *additional* eight WNA neighborhood signs (There is also interest in availability of mini signs to post on homes).
- Neighbor and levee expert Jim Polito responded to FEMA questions. FEMA responded to City of Indianapolis /Corps of Engineers application with 20 questions. FEMA acknowledged response to those questions on April 4th. FEMA must respond within 90 days (July 4), with more questions or approve. Jim asked DPW for copy of responses with public records request. If all is approved, there is 4 1/2 month comment period until remapping would go into effect. Not expecting any news until end of year, assuming all questions answered correctly. Complete information can be found at www.warfleigh.org
- The Warfleigh Garage Sale is scheduled for 9/30 from 8a-4p. WNA will send a form to list your sale as date approaches.
- Motion to adjourn 7:55pm. Next meeting is July 11th at 7pm. Location TBD.