

CITY OF SHEBOYGANMAYOR'S NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERSHIP CABINET Tuesday, November 7,  
2017 - 6: 30 p.m.

Chair Mike Vandersteen called the meeting to order at 6: 30 p.m. in the board room of the Sheboygan Water Utility. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Members present: Mayor Mike Vandersteen, Director of Planning and Development Chad Pelishek, Joe Clarke, Penny Weber, Scott Hanson, Peter Sjollemma, Grazia Perrella, and Dean Dekker

Others present: Superintendent of Water Utility Joe Trueblood, Nancy Lorenz

Minutes:

Motion by Joe Clarke, seconded by Scott Hanson to approve minutes of September 19, 2017 meeting. All ayes.

#### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Res. No. 93 - 17 - 18 by Alderpersons Belanger and Wolf officially recognizing the Memorial Neighborhood Association.

Motion to approve made by Scott Hanson, seconded by Grazia Perrella. All ayes.

#### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

Feature

Presentation:

Tour of Sheboygan Water Utility by Superintendent Joe Trueblood. Informative tour and presentation. Sheboygan's water rate is very low, half the cost of some communities in Wisconsin. A feasibility study was just completed for a future intake pipeline. It is very costly and must be planned for. Lead pipe replacement program - Sheboygan has a lot of private lead water laterals. There are approximately 5,000 either full or partial lead laterals remaining in the City of Sheboygan.

For the last two years the Water Utility has applied for DNR grant money and received about \$300,000 per year to go towards lead replacement. Schools were targeted first, then daycares, followed by construction projects. This will be

an ongoing process and each year there will be money available to do the replacements. Homes and buildings built in the 1940 's or earlier are those affected. Current projects - north of Lutheran High a pipe had to be put under the river to provide water for an art preserve that is new to the city. They had to bore under the river and run a 12 " PVC pipe. They did not want to dig through Esslingen Park because it is a potential native Indian burial ground. Another project taking place is a new water tower is being built south of Weeden Creek Road. There is one water tower there that is in poor condition. This new water tower will work in tandem with the existing one and will allow maintenance to be done on the existing tower. The two towers can provide for the high water usage in the industrial park.

## Neighborhood Association Reports

Indiana Corridor Indiana Corridor held a "hot dog social" that was very successful. Chad submitted a document to the council requesting support to obtain the vacant gas station on 23 rd and Indiana. He is hoping the County will foreclose on it with the assumption that they won't resume any liability on it. There's a clause in the statute that also allows them to transfer directly to another municipality without the County actually taking ownership. Chad has been looking into grants and other ways to help fund the clean-up of contaminants. Concerns about winter parking were discussed. Parking on South 23 and 24 Streets should be made one-side parking only all the time, not just 2 - 6 a.m. They are looking for one new board member.

Near North Did not have a quorum for the last meeting.

King Park Had a very successful clean-up day on October 8. Bio-Life provided 30 - 35 volunteers that helped with sprucing up the park, pulling weeds, worked on the rain gardens around the pavillion. Cleaned up garbage that they allowed people to bring to the park such as mattresses and other items that the garbage normally doesn't pick up. Joe Kerlin had his crew clean up overgrowth at the four-plexes and also cleaned up invasive species on the beach and moved sand that was affected. They will have a fundraiser in December - offering a gift wrapping service on December 20 th at King Park pavillion. They are collecting donations of gift wrapping supplies.

Maple Heights The fall/winter newsletter went out today. In the future they will be putting the newsletter on a website and notifying the neighbors by post card with a few teasers to view the newsletter via internet. This will be more cost effective than mailing out 600 newsletters. Last year they sent out four editions, this year they sent out two editions. The annual meeting will be held on November 27 at Seton School. They are working on some initiatives on neighborhood planning and some surveys.

Sheboygan Neighborhood Pride Update Vollrath/North Point neighborhoods continue to meet together. Over 60 people participated from three different neighborhoods in a "history of houses walk" on October 7. It was very successful even though the weather was not good. They would like to make this an annual event. Because of all the change in the number of alderpersons they would like to have a political forum in January or February.

They have a meeting tonight and will discuss if they would like to be on a timeline to become a neighborhood association.

Franklin Park has a small faithful group that continues to meet monthly. The Rock the Block event was held in their neighborhood on October 14. Habitat for Humanity in partnership with the City of Sheboygan had volunteers to complete projects in the Franklin Park neighborhood including landscaping and increased lighting.

East Side had a couple of large gatherings in the park and now they are meeting as a small group. They had Jason Blasiola from DPW come and speak to their group. They would like to do something like a community garden.

Memorial - They have made application to be recognized by the Common Council as a neighborhood association. This will be the seventh association to be recognized.

The focus for next year will be on End Park on the north side and Swift Avenue on the south side. End Park will have a meeting on November 9. A group of Swift Avenue people have been attending the Franklin Park meetings so a meeting has been planned for December 7 for this group at St. Peter Claver.

Penny also recently met with three neighborhoods: Kiwanis, K&D South and Wildwood. There was a meeting with 23 people attending on November 1. The three neighborhoods are planning to meet again on January 4.

The Strategic Plan for the city is to have three new neighborhood associations in the year 2018.

#### CITY STAFF UPDATES

Report by Police Chief Christopher Domagalski. Chief Domagalski was not in attendance.

Report by Director of City Development Chad Pelishek. The city is looking at expanding its business center. Last night the Finance Committee gave the go ahead to continue the process of creating a TIF district and acquiring about 150 acres of property to expand south on South Business Drive into the Town of Wilson. That is about a \$125 million project.

Hampton Inn is building a new hotel, Fairfield Inn is building a new hotel, Meijer should be breaking ground in April. The downtown housing on South 8 th Street is well underway. Phase II of the Portscape Apartments on South Pier is progressing. A press release will be coming out after Thursday about a new development potential on Indiana Avenue in the area where the city bought and

razed properties west of Sprechers.

CLOSING OF MEETING

Future meeting dates: Next meeting date is January 16, 2018

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned.