

LP 50 Community Meeting Minutes - April 30, 2008

Lafayette Towers Conference Room

Meeting began 6:45pm with Richard Stacy facilitating and Larry Gant recording notes

Attendees:

Board members: Dick Stacy, Bill Dickens, Ed Baldwin, Bob Sinclair, Carol Goll, Gloria Myers, Vicky Keating, Patrick Rarwi

Community stakeholders/residents: Robert Hafel, Karol Pelton, Dwight Wilson, Stephen Weber, Terry Coleman-Hannon, Jane Duggan, Penny Bailer, Lila Crocker, Jackie Bell, Suzan Anderson.

Agenda Approval: Minutes from March 2008 meeting approved. Current agenda approved with modification to allow for discussion of recycling center, and Shapero Hall in new business section. Second recommendation was to move membership and board update discussion past new business for extensive discussion.

Old Business

Fiduciary Report: Ed Baldwin reported LP50 has \$1020 total, \$469 restricted in restricted and \$551 unrestricted funds.

Discussion with Preservation Wayne. Need to discuss grant with Joliet HVAC. Rewrite needs to include a 5% processing fee (about \$350). The LP50 agreement formally expired with Preservation Wayne in October 2007. Operation has been proceeding under a subparagraph exception that agreement proceeds on a month by month basis. Request for Ed to sign the revised/updated agreement with Preservation Wayne (which will be retroactive from October 2007 through October 2008). Checks agreed on last week were processed by Preservation Wayne.

Greenway Update: delayed until Constance Bodurow arrives. Terry Hanon provided update. Two new members and renewals with Greening of Detroit and Garden Resource Center ongoing.

Greening of Detroit is a city owned park. There is an edifice on the park that perhaps needs to be replaced. Unsure if that Greening of Detroit park is on the list of parks to be sold. Greening of Detroit seeking to prevent use of the property as building site. Motion moved and supported to support Greening of Detroit's effort to preserve Greening of Detroit park (on Jefferson).

Tours: Discussion tabled until Neil presents. Ed Baldwin reported speaking with Neil and he is conducting tours on ongoing basis.

Security update: Bill had no reports. Stephen reported no updates on city of Detroit. Noted activity (temporary construction barricades) around St. Joseph's convent North of J Street, Near Orleans). Intent is to restore barricades on Orleans St. to reduce traffic congestion and possible accidents. Information obtained from local police district. Internet Link from DPS placed on LP50 website is operating. Ed Baldwin used it to view

crime statistics in the area. The link is viable.

Dwight Wilson (Friends Schools Principal) encouraged LP50 to contact their new security company. Called by Ed Baldwin since Chateaufort Coop Security has gaps in service leading to stolen automobile and vandalized automobile. Chateaufort has new security service.

Arts and Crafts Program for July 2008: Kathy Baldwin facilitates the process. About \$300 exists as seed money for the activity

New Business

Shapero Hall update: Suggestion made that members become familiar with relevant appeal process particularly as pertains to ordinance/legal/substantive issues. Discussion ensued.

Recycling issues: Ed Baldwin – reviewed starting Recycling Center for LP. Leland Lofts has a recycling service [plastic, glass, cardboard, mixed paper and metal] (service fee paid to Holden company). Good results with the service. Nicolet also has recycling service. Suggestion to create a recycling subcommittee for further development. Cathy Baldwin will facilitate the subcommittee for further development. Patrick (Leland Lofts) suggested two people might be interested in participation in the subcommittee.

LP50 Charette presentation: Bill Dickens provided update on Amy Beltemacchi. A follow-up presentation is expected to provide general direction and plans. Grant development is under way. Update planned for May 2008

Lafayette Median Discussion: Bill underscored importance of Lafayette Median. Possible to address this as part of the Beltemacchi presentation.

LP50 meeting adjourned Meeting ended at 7:35 pm.

LP50 Board: Board convened 7:39pm and moved into discussion of by-laws for LP50.

Dates and locations for next meetings (all meetings begin 6:30pm and end (for the most part) 7:30pm):

March 26, 2008 – Friends School

April 30, 2008 – 1300 Lafayette Tower

May 28, 2008 – NEW LOCATION: Sala Thai Restaurant, Lafayette Plaza

June 25, 2008 – Hyde Park Commons

LP50 Website:

<http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/detroit/lp50/>