# Louisville Coalition of Neighborhood (LCON) MUW Building Minutes May 11, 2006

#### Attendance:

LCON members present: Rose Grenough Nett, McKay Chauvin, Michael Baugh, Mike Lyons, Jack Francis, Gail Linville, Jim Kays, Judy Nichols, Judge Paula Fitzgerald, Luther Brown, Jr., Mary Rose Evans, Pat Germany, Sherri Chandler, Carolyn Franklin, Linda Thomas, Tom Rueff, Ann Jewell, Dr. Peggy Kidwell, Tom Rueff, Mike Zanone and Mountel Jeffries.

Guests: Mark Scott, Donna Delahanty, Donnie Morris, and Trime Persinger.

Candidates present: Kristin Dawson Henderson, Phillip Kimball, Hays Lawson, Susan Gibson, David Bowles, Janice R. Martin, M. Alex Fleming, Jerry J. Bowles, Joe O'Reilly, Paula Sherlock, Rebecca Atkins, Paula Fitzgerald, Denise Guess Clayton, Mary M. Shaw, Franklin P. Jewell, W. Doug Kemper, Fred Partin, Mitch Perry, Karl Price, Bob Silverthorn, Michael Losavio, and Charlie Cunningham.

Meeting began at 6:42pm with introductions. President Linda Thomas welcomed everyone and stated that each candidate will be given 2 1/2 minutes to speak and for the audience to hold applauses until the end. Introduction of McKay Chauvin was made as today's moderator.

McKay Chauvin stated the purpose of the forum was that folks are interested in the races and encourage folks to take information back to their neighborhood associations in the Fall.

#### Phillip Kimball – Kentucky Supreme Court

Mr. Kimball stated that he has been an attorney for 26 years and spent three years in the army. He has a master's degree in History and can speak Russian and German. He thinks that neighborhood associations are great. He lives at 3<sup>rd</sup> and St. Catherine. He will help crises. In his law practice he has dealt with complex cases.

#### **Karl Price - Circuit Court Judge Division 3**

Mr. Price stated that he is a Louisville native and is one of 16 children with 4 set of twins. He is a prosecutor in the Jefferson County Attorney's office. He spent 1,200 hours arguing cases to the judge. He also deals with domestic violence issues and child support. He would like to see violence kept off the streets.

# Mitch Perry – Circuit Court Judge Division 3

Mr. Perry stated that he was in the military for 25 years. He works in the County Attorney's office. He was involved in the merger. He is also involved with the zoo and libraries. He was a Lt. Colonel in the Air National Guard. He has been endorsed by the Jefferson County Teacher's Association and the Courier Journal.

# William Mooney - Circuit Court Judge Division 5

Mr. Mooney stated that he has worked at all levels in District, Cicrcuit, and Court of Appeals. He was endorsed by the Citizens for Better Judges. His website is: mooneyforjudge.com. He stated that he has been an attorney for 28 yeas and a public defender for 11 years. He has cases in the Court of Appeals, Supreme Court, and the U.S. Supreme Court. He is endorsed by the Courier Journal. He has been married for 32 years. He wants to improve the court system.

## Fred Partin – Circuit Court Judge Division 5

Mr. Partin stated that he has practiced law for 38 years. He was a U.S. Attorney for 12 years. He has been married for 40 years. He has tried over 400 criminal and civil cases. The Louisville Bar Association rated him as highly qualified. You can read his profile in Sunday's Courier Journal.

# Mary Shaw - Circuit Court Judge Division 5

Mrs. Shaw stated that she is currently working in the Circuit Court Staff Attorney's office for the past 16 years. She has worked in different criminal attorneys offices. She is a hard worker. She will do a good job as judge and is fair and honest.

#### W. Doug Kemper – Circuit Court Judge Division 5

Mr. Kemper stated that it is his wedding anniversary. He told the story about his son couldn't vote for him. His sister, Hannah, said that she would have her teacher to vote for him. He has been in practiced law for 12 years. He stated that both of his parents are handicapped. He went to U of L and was student body president. He also went to IU and U of K. He has worked in the Commonwealth Attorney's office. He was appointed to this position.

Judge Martin McDonald sends his regrets.

# Robert "Bob" Silverthorn - Circuit Court Judge Division 6

Mr. Silvthorn stated that he is involved with the Winhurst Home Association. He has been married for 24 years and has 2 children and 3 grandchildren. The Louisville Bar Association rated his in the 91 percentile. He is endorsed by the Citizen for Better Judges and the Courier Journal.

# **Donna Delahanty – Family Division 8**

Mrs. Delahanty stated that there is no incumbent and that it is an open seat. She graduated from U of L Law School in 1986. She worked as a clerk for the Kentucky Supreme Court. She stated that she has practiced in Family Court. She practiced in private practice as guardian for children involved in the court system. She traveled in many neighborhoods and met a lot of nice people. She is endorsed by the United Electrical Union.

# Kristin Dawson Henderson - Family Division 8

Mrs. Henderson stated that she has works as a guardian at latern for 16 years dealing with children who have been neglected and abused. She is certified in mediation. She has been parent coordinator in Family Court. She works with parents involved in child custody cases. She is experienced in helping people to resolve problems. She is endorsed by the Courier Journal and Citizen for Better Judges.

# **Rebecca Swope Atkins – Family Division 10**

Mrs. Atkins stated that she has been a lawyer for 27 years. She has work with family needing assistance in the Department of Human Resources. She practices family law dealing with indigent parents and child support cases. For the past 20 years she has worked with the Kentucky Court of Appeals. She believes that this position needs someone who is familiar with families and someone who is fair. She is endorsed by labor organizations and Jefferson County Teacher's Association.

## Paula Sherlock - Family Division 10

Mrs. Sherlock stated she has presided over 5, 000 appearances. She has been a family attorney for 14 years. She represents men, women, and children. She created night court for workers who can't get off during the day. She is endorsed by the Citizens for Better Judges, the Courier Journal. She is rated substantially higher that other candidates in her division.

#### J. Hays Lawson – Circuit Court Division 12

Mr. Lawson stated that he loves being a lawyer and respects others. He stated that he worked with Supreme Court Judge Martin Johnson for 7 years.

#### Michael Losavio – Circuit Court Division 12

Mr. Losavio stated that neighborhood associations are important for the life of the community. He has worked in neighborhood associations before. He stated that he is running against the finest group of people.

# **Charlie Cunningham – Circuit Court Division 12**

Mr. Cunningham stated that he is endorsed by the Citizens for Better Judges. He was born in the Clifton neighborhood. He moved to Indian Hills and deals with that neighborhood association. He stated that neighborhood associations are important.

#### Susan Schultz Gibson – Circuit Court Division 12

Mrs. Gibson stated that she has worked 20 years in the public defender's office. She has worked 17 years as a prosecutor in the Jefferson County Attorney's office.

# McKay Chauvin - Circuit Court Division 8

Mr. Chauvin is on the Board of Director for the Louisville Coalition of Neighborhoods (LCON). He stated that he chose to work with gun violence in all segments. For the last 3 years he has worked in the Jefferson County Attorney's office. He is endorsed by the UAW and the Jefferson County Teachers' Association.

#### Pamela Rochester – Circuit Court Division 5

Ms. Rochester showed a rock that she had gotten from the Nile River. She explained how a rock is formed from a grain of sand and rolls around to form a rock. She compared that to how her life began. She had her children as a teenager and went to school at age 33. She went to law school at 40. She knows what it is like to be down and out. Her name is listed the 3<sup>rd</sup> from the ballot.

Annette Karem send regrets – her daughter won an assay.

## **Jerry Bowles – Family Court District 6**

Mr. Bowles stated that he was a police officer for 20 years and retired as lieutenant of police. He is running to improve the judicial system. He stated that he is the only candidate familiar with the Kentucky court system. He is endorsed by the Citizens for Better Judges and the FOB. His name is the last name on the ballot.

## Paula Fitzgerald – District Court Division 1

Ms. Fitzgerald stated that she commits her life to public service. She is one of the founding members of LOCN. She was selected by the citizens of Jefferson County. She has been District judge for 8 years. She presided over 80,000 cases. She appreciates our vote.

#### **Announcements**

- Transportation in Your Community Express Yourself.
   Thursday, May 25, 2006 at 7:00pm to 8:30pm at TARC Headquarters at 1000 West Broadway.
- Expired Drug Toss
   Sponsored by AARP, KIPDA, Louisville Metro Police, TRIAD and Louisville Metro Solid Waste May 23 25, 2006

May 23 Franciscan Health Care Center 3625 Fern Valley Rd. 11:00AM TO 1:00PM

May 24 – Christ the King Corner of 44<sup>th</sup> and Broadway 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon

May 24 – Treyton Oaok Towers 211 West Oak St. 1:00PM to 3:00PM

May 25 – Brookside Senior Living 200 Brookside Drive 11:00AM to 1:00PM

- 3. Just A Flu Season? Or Pandemic? Ger Prepared with Larry Smith Wednesday, May 24, 2006 At the Center for Nonprofit 3640 Dutchman Lane 315-2673 Members \$35.00 Others \$50.00
- Highland Douglass Neighborhood Art Show Saturday, June 3, 2006 - 9:00AM – 6:00PM and Sunday, June 4 from 9:00AM – 5:00PM

Next LCON meeting, June 13, 2006 – Ms. Lisa Kilkelly, Legal Aid Society Focus: Basic 501 3-c issues for neighborhood associations.

Submitted by,

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