

Southwest Area Partnership Meeting - April 20, 2011

Meeting was called to order by Chair, Adrienne Maurer at approximately 7:00 p.m. After introductions, it was motioned, seconded and voted to approve the agenda, followed by the treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$467.87.

Beth Malloy, Deputy Mayor made a Power Point presentation of the Legacy Task Force process for the

I & M Legacy Fund. The Task Force will work through May and June to follow their principles for action: Engage the public, prioritize, and develop an investment philosophy. Hundreds of citizens made suggestions, and the task force is sorting to combine duplicates, determine a match for the principles involved in serving the community and looking for ways to create a long term catalytic impact on our area. They will seek to coordinate previously adopted plans, co-opt with other existing funding, find synergies that will enhance the effectiveness of our investment, and bring results of economic development and increased quality of life for the area. After careful consideration, their recommendations will be given to the Mayor, who will engage the Common Council in implementation.

Brent Wake, Mayor's Area Advocate reported that the move is on to Citizens' Square Building. He spoke of Aqua Indiana's rate increase and several neighborhoods' requests for City Utilities service. Call 311 for assistance with issues.

FWPD Deputy Chief Dottie Davis reported continued reduction of crime in our area, but 2011 has been particularly violent for police officers. Our nation has lost 62 police officers due to violence, with 28 of them shot to death since the beginning of the year. Locally, daytime burglaries, thefts from vehicles, scams using monitoring and replacing equipment schemes are frequent. When approached by someone wanting access to your home to check the utility lines, or any equipment, insist on getting identification and do not allow them into your home until you check their credentials.

Jim Murua, D C, FWFD commented on the upcoming Seniors Day, River Fest and the Three Rivers Festival. Firefighters will be active with these events. He also touched on the rules for campfires and chimneas. Burn only good wood, have the fire at least 25' from any structure, have a fire extinguisher on hand and attend the fire at all times. Fines for burning leaves and garbage are \$50.

In old business, Robert's Rules of Order will be an upcoming discussion for the betterment of Neighborhood Assn. meetings. Grant Shipley and Cletus Goings will coordinate a hand out.

New Business included plans for a 5th district forum for candidates for election, and the Pathfinders/ CANI Quality of Life 46807 meeting to be held April 30th. There was discussion of plans for National Night Out, first Tues. of August. We will check with the other partnerships to see if they wish to participate in a city-wide effort, or we could each have a neighborhood effort.

Next meeting will feature Detective Bob Kerby, with a discussion of urban meth labs.

We adjourned until May 18, 2011.

Respectfully submitted by Carolyn DeVoe, Secretary