

Southwest Area Partnership  
Minutes  
At Bethany Lutheran Church

Present: 36 in attendance (32 on the sign-in sheet)

Chair, Adrienne Maurer called the meeting to order @ 7 p.m.  
The Agenda was adopted following a motion to do so by Carolyn DeVoe.  
Introductions followed. The SW Division of the Police Department was represented by Deputy Chief Doug Luckner and Officer Steve Haffner.

Our speakers, who were from the City of Fort Wayne spoke on Sidewalks & Bike Lanes.

Pam Holocher spoke on the Comprehensive Connectivity Plans for the sidewalks. Rather than Trails, which are more for exercise, sidewalk connections are destination based. This is to connect people via sidewalks to church, shopping, medical, school, etc.

Kristen Wright talked about 3 specifics of this sidewalk planning – safe school routes, crosswalks and transit stops.

Dennis Donahue/Community & Economic Development and Sean Gunawardena/Traffic Engineering Planning covered the bike lanes, explaining some of the routes. There was a suggestion that in any new sub-divisions, the developer be required to put in sidewalks at the outside of the sub-divisions that would tie the into these connections points and not have these sub-divisions isolated.

The bottom line of any of this is \$\$\$\$\$.

Officer Luckner stated that, contrary to his last month's statement, BB guns **are** legal in the City, with the exception of the Parks. Curfews are unenforceable since there are too many exceptions. Keep locking your cars.

Billy reported that there were more than 1000 names on the petitions to keep the Waynedale & Diplomat Plaza Post Offices. It is possible that the Waynedale PO will be relocated to the Gabriel Postal Facility in Wayne Plaza. If so, she is stressing that they not close the Waynedale PO until everything has been relocated to the Gabriel Facility.

Billy read several zoning issues to which there was no opposition.

Ken Nicolet pointed out that there was much information laid out on the table at the back.

Meeting adjourned.

Dee Jackson, Acting Secretary

