

NLIA 01/12/09  
Attendance - 11

1. Ted and Jeff attended the transit meeting at the Library last month. Marci Francisco offered up ending the routes in NL. After voicing the concern they opted to keep it, but have been sending smaller buses to reduce cost.
2. Ted also attended the site council meeting. The Lawrence Fruit Tree Association is planting dwarf pear trees as an environmental project. The fruit will be harvested and donated to local food banks.
3. The Ballard Center posted their 2008 newsletter. They fed 7,500 families, they kept 4,500 families warm. They provided 210,000 hours of earlier education, and 3,500 children and their families had a roof over their head at night because of the Ballard Center.
4. LAN: 30 neighborhoods participate in LAN. Currently they are supporting inspections for rental properties over 50 years old. Most importantly fire escapes when houses are turned into apartments.
5. John Davis & Johnny's development. They are still working on some land acquisitions.
6. 2010 is when we expect the 2<sup>nd</sup> and Locust construction to begin.
7. East Lawrence Turnpike exit should be completed by this summer, with new ticket booths.

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July-Nov.

Discussions with City Commissioners  
And David Corliss

Ted

Aug.-Jan.

ICL monthly meetings/ plant north of Lawrence

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3/12/07

Ted spoke of the UP quiet zone. It is still in the planning stages. Lawrence City Commission candidates spoke to the group. There was a very large turn out with lots of participation and questions.

4/9/07

The group voted to donate \$25 to the Central Jr. High Fun Run for refreshments. Central is the designated school for North Lawrence school children. Bernice, the NL Coordinator, spoke to the group about the need for a new computer program for the NL neighborhood. The group voted and approved up to \$175 for the new program. ICL staff spoke to the group The local plant is continuing to expand and develop new types of products and this expansion creates a need for them new continue hiring new personel. Karen spoke to the group on business aspects of the plant. Shane spoke about the environment issues and ongoing testing of wells, etc.

5/14/07

Ted spoke of the Annual SandRat Reunion that was scheduled for June 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 9-12 at Woodlawn School. The Odd Fellows hall at this time has been sold. A group that has bought the property says NLIA can continue using the facility as a meeting place. Ted spoke of the North St. project (sewer/stormwater). Greg Thomas spoke to the group. He is an affiliate of the University of Kansas. He spoke to us about alternatives for neighborhood improvement and maintenance. Mr. Thomas operates a business that directs and creates plans for community, state, city, and national improvement and for reaching their highest potential. Mr. Thomas will be in contact with NLIA at a future time. Ted spoke to the group about the need for a new stop signal at 7<sup>th</sup> and Lyon. A North Lawrence resident had spoke with Ted about it previously. The group voted and approved the creation of a letter to the city.

**Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> - Picnic- Lyons Park**

10/5/07

Get your items out for fall clean up at normal trash pick up site by 7am on Oct. 5. There will be NO brush pick up due to lack of funds.



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October 8, 2007

1. Elections: all agreed to keep the current officers
2. Recognized Beverley for her volunteer work for Douglas County VNA -- she received the "Home Care Hero Honoree of the Year"
3. Introduced new officers: Barbara Higgins-Dover Coordinator and Kristen Walker
4. Treasures Report: current balance ~~\$4167.36~~ ~~2805.74~~ ~~2805.74~~
5. City Update:
  - a. Currently there has not been a traffic update done from the Turnpike into North Lawrence on N. 2<sup>nd</sup> street.
6. North Lawrence Proposed Development -- Current Impact & Issues
  - a. Traffic -- most importantly -- Tractor Trailer traffic
  - b. Employee "short-cutting" traffic. The issue is that people will be driving through our neighborhoods instead of driving out around on N. 2<sup>nd</sup> street.
  - c. North Lawrence has the highest commercial vacancy rate at 42%. Our question is why we need more commercial space, when we already have plenty available.
  - d. Storm Drainage-we need our \$16 million storm drainage issues fixed before we begin to expand. We need to make sure that the Development doesn't take away from what already needs to be taken care of.
  - e. Other issue brought up- property taxes, new flood insurance requirements,
7. Guest Speaker -- Nancy Thellman
  - a. Diversified Concepts -- Partnered with Pine Family Farms
  - b. Under Contract to develop the land within 41 months.
  - c. 900 acres was originally proposed for commercial/industrial space. This was reduced to 144 acres and 1600 employees. The 144 acres are divided into smaller sets ranging from 3 acres to 20.
  - d. Diversified Concepts historically produce warehouses, mini storage, convenience stores, and fast food. In Lawrence -- Bella Sera.
  - e. Sue Pine has told Nancy that she hopes that the development will force the city to fix the North Lawrence Drainage issues.
  - f. Grant Township overall stays that they don't oppose the development, but that there are other locations in Douglas County to develop.
  - g. Planning Commission - October 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 city hall

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11/12/2007

1. Treasure Report: ending balance – \$3231.30
2. Airport Development Update: before city commission – pulled off November agenda, and unsure when it is suppose to be moved. Possibly moved to January.
  - a. Cost of the Development is an issue, along w/ the current issue of increasing Property Tax or Sale Tax increase.
  - b. Airport as a means of industrial transportation – Most all shipments coming into the proposed industrial site will come via truck. All sites need to have access to a major highway.
  - c. Storm Drainage – Ted spoke about the storm water drainage, how it is now, and what needs to be changed. He has maps for anyone to look at after the meeting.
  - d. Priority - getting the word out on the street. Making our fellow neighbors aware of what the development entails.
  - e. We do know that the City does not want to pay 100% of the infrastructure.
3. City Commission on the Development:
  - a. Ted mentioned that at least two of our City Commissioners are against the Development, [REDACTED]
  - b. Rob Chestnut wants to lean towards using the old Farmland site. Reasoning is because the land is developed, and had access to rail and transportation. Although the site will need to be cleaned up. This is one of the 8 proposed industrial sites. Its grade is not in a flood plane.
  - c. Commercial Vacancy Rate – Again it is high. Is our City Commission making proper use of our Commercial Sites?
4. ECO meeting that Ted attended
  - a. Infrastructure cost was about 3.8 million. 25 million for storm drainage wasn't included. Unfortunately the development is planned to be completed within a 15 year range, and the cost does not include inflation.
  - b. Overall, Infrastructure cost is unknown. That is why it has been pushed back.
  - c. We do know that the City does not want to pay 100% of the infrastructure.
6. Turnpike – east interchange, west interchange and river bridge construction. It is suppose to take 3 years.
7. All voted to adopt a North Lawrence family for Christmas Again this year. We will be collecting donations at the meetings, and ask that you help us raise money from your neighbors.
8. All voted to donate \$50 to CRP/Grant Townships advertising fund. They have been really helping us all out on getting the word out.

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12/07/2007

1. **Treasure Report: ending balance – \$2927.40**
2. **Raised \$1592.00 for the 3 North Lawrence Families.**
3. **We collected cans for the Ballard Community Center, and we donated \$50.**
4. **We also voted to donate \$50 to the Douglas County Visiting Nurses.**
5. **Airport Update – Scheduled for January 15<sup>th</sup> City Commission Meeting**
6. **Turnpike – close west interchange. They will also be building a new bridge over the Kansas River. This project will approximately take 3 years.**
7. **N. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Construction – scheduled for Spring 2008**
  - a. **Concerns about emergency response. Ted has spoken with the Commission to have emergency vehicles ready.**
  - b. **Project is to last 6-9 months.**
8. **Ted has mailed approximately 55 letters to the city commission opposing the Airport Development.**
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1/14/2008

1. treasurers report -- ending balance - \$2755.79
2. Lyons Park --
  - a. Requested a quote from City to put a light up - \$750
  - b. In the past we've asked for the sidewalk to be replaced, but it's pretty pricy.
3. Airport -- Moved from City Commission meeting -- Maybe February
4. John Davis, Rick Renfro & Christian Ablah -- Purchased 20 acres for mixed commercial or residential use. No plans have been drawn up yet. Our primary concern is drainage.
  - a. They are aware of working with the Rail Road and the Corp of Engineers and also the HRC.
5. April 2<sup>nd</sup> street construction begins
6. Ways to draw more members --
  - a. Chili Feed -- Next Meeting starting at 6:30pm
  - b. Canceling our Classified ad in the LJW & using that money to have a drawing each month for a gift certificate for a member.