

**Quarterly Neighborhood Performance Report - Quarter Two (November-January) Due Feb. 10**

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Each Neighborhood is required to have at least quarterly meetings.	Meeting Date #1	<u>11/9/2015</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>Yes</u>
	Meeting Date #2	<u>12/14/2015</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>Yes</u>
	Meeting Date #3	<u>1/11/2016</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>Yes</u>

How was the neighborhood notified of the meeting(s)? (check all that apply)	email	<u>No, Website</u>
	newsletter	<u>Yes</u>
	other announcement? (please specify)	<u>Newspaper, Facebook</u>

Officer elections this quarter? (if so, attach list of new officers)	No
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Each Neighborhood is encouraged to produce regular newsletters.	Date of Newsletter: <u>No - See previous newsletter</u>	Copy Attached?	<u>N/A</u>
	Next newsletter sent out in March		

Also to be attached: \_\_\_\_\_

Neighborhood activity list for the quarter, including method of notification as well as estimated attendance. (Required)

Best practices in regard to neighborhood events that can be shared with other neighborhood associations. Provide information on outreach, event, and outcome.

Any other information your neighborhood association feels will be information that will help to provide a clear view of your neighborhood associations accomplishments.

**November 2015 – January 2016****North Lawrence Improvement Association President Performance (Ted Boyle)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>
11-1-15	Worked on getting the required signatures in the 3-400 block of Elm for the speed hump that would be installed at 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Elm, and to talk to residents about proposed levee café. They generally expressed favorable opinions with the exception of potential parking concerns.
11-4-15	Helped N. Lawrence resident find roofing company to patch metal roof on her house and barn.
11-10-15	Attended the City Commission meeting.
11-12-15	Grocery store meeting to talk to Price Chopper about grocery store survey. Attended CDBG meeting about budget and how to create efficiencies. Talked about putting printing services out to bid.
11-17-15	Attended the City Commission meeting where finalist for the city manager where chosen/made public.
11-18-15	Attended grocery store meeting where the committee discussed how to get the grocery store surveys out.
11-20-15	Talked to city manager about south bound bridge being blocked Dec 1 <sup>st</sup> and to ensure that first responders would be present.
11-23-15	Met with Mayor Amyx to talk about grocery store survey that was recently put out and what information that is to be gathered. Received phone call from concerned citizen about a N. Lawrence company's vehicles speeding in the neighborhood. I called the owner of the company to discuss the complaint, and they said that they would address the problem.
11-30-15	Called Public Works to get estimate of speed hump that would be located on North street for CDBG capital improvement request. The estimate was about \$3500. Talked with County Commissioner Nancy Thellman about dumping that was occurring at properties North of N. Lawrence.
12-2-15	Grocery Store meeting with Mayor Amyx, Price Chopper owner Barry Queen, and Steve Ruttering about grocery store at 7 <sup>th</sup> & New Hampshire streets. Spoke with Paul Warner and city planner about proposed levee café, and the associated variances that the property would have. Attended site council meeting at Woodlawn school.
12-3-15	Attended Grocery store meeting where we discussed the NLIA developed survey & how to implement it in all of the neighborhoods. Also, I attended the monthly LAN meeting. Topics discussed included downtown parking issues, duplex parking in neighborhoods, safe walks to schools, and downtown grocery store.
12-4-15	Went to meeting with Harrison for approx. two hours about North Lawrence and to update her on grocery store. As well as what Price Chopper wanted with regards to store size. Called Public Works about 6 <sup>th</sup> & Elm closure.
12-7-15	Made paper copies of the online grocery store survey, and distributed them to N. Lawrence businesses along N 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> streets. They were also passed out to some N. Lawrence residents as well as the principal at Woodlawn. Talked with Mark Theal – Public Works about when the speed hump would be installed at 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Elm, and was told 2 weeks with the weather permitting.

12-9-15	Talked with NLIA Coordinator about grocery store survey paper copies that were distributed, and also about the upcoming NLIA meeting that would be held at the Methodist church on the corner of 4 <sup>th</sup> & Elm streets.
12-14-15	Attended NLIA meeting at Centenary United Methodist church, and discussed downtown grocery store.
12-16-15	Took more paper copies of the downtown grocery store survey to N. Lawrence businesses.
12-17-15	Attended grocery store meeting.
12-18-15	Picked up surveys from N. Lawrence businesses and distributed more. Talked to Trent McKinley about fireworks, and cost of extra police. I asked if he would attend the LAN meeting in February. Talked to city crews about placement of speed hump on 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Elm.
12-22-15	Participated in interview with LJWorld reporter about zoning in N. Lawrence and storm water issues.
12-28-15	Called Public Works about snow removal at the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street underpass and Union Depot sidewalks.
12-29-15	Collected a total of \$5,300 in donations to help 5 families in N. Lawrence.
12-30-15	Attended grocery store meeting. Guest speaker from Hobbs Taylor Lofts spoke in favor of grocery store and expressed concerns about parking. Talked with Mayor Amyx about grocery store and Hobbs Taylor Lofts residents.
1-2-16	Picked up paper surveys from N. Lawrence businesses, and talked with NLIA Coordinator.
1-4-16	Talked with Matt Bond – City storm water engineer about attending the upcoming NLIA meeting Jan. 11 <sup>th</sup> to go over the Maple street pump station, flood plain maps, and answer questions.
1-6-16	Spoke with Pat Watkins about downtown grocery store and Hobbs Taylor Loft parking. I invited him to the grocery store meeting. Also, I talked to Steve Ruttinger about meeting on Jan 7 <sup>th</sup> at 9am.
1-7-16	Talked to owner of property where the proposed levee café would open about parking variance. Attended Lawrence board of zoning appeals for parking lot variances at 3 <sup>rd</sup> and Locust.
1-21-16	Called Mayor Amyx about potentially setting up meeting with the owners of the 7 <sup>th</sup> and New Hampshire property and Price Chopper. Then told Steve Ruttinger about the meeting. Went to a 9am grocery store committee meeting to talk about the parking at the mentioned property and how it effects the Hobbs lofts parking.
1-27-16	Called the city water department about getting mailer labels, and then Spoke with Dani Dressler on past CDBG office money. Attended grocery store meeting to discuss how to get the owner of the current 7 <sup>th</sup> and New Hampshire street property to start the process.
1-29-16	Resident near 4 <sup>th</sup> & Lincoln called to report a loud constant noise near her. Sound was linked to a leaking water line at 6 <sup>th</sup> & Lincoln that was repaired by 3am.

**November 2015 – January 2016**  
**NLIA Coordinator Performance (Dylan Shmalberg)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>
11-6-15	Developed & posted grocery store survey
11-8-15	Updated Facebook Page with meeting information.
11-9-15	Attended monthly NLIA meeting. Recorded meeting minutes and gave coordinator update. See meeting minutes for more information.
11-16-15	Reposted Grocery store survey
11-17-15	Reviewed last year's NLIA CDBG grant application
11-29-15	Started 2016 CDBG application narrative
11-30-15	Finished & compiled the 2016 CDBG application
12-1-15	Made minor changes to CDBG Grant, Sent in
12-4-15	Started working on hard copy of CDBG survey
12-5-15	Finished hard copy of survey, compiled previous quarter performance report, Facebook page administration
12-6-15	Posted updates about road closure, due to the ongoing Maple street pump project, to the NLIA Facebook page.
12-10-15	Reposted the downtown grocery store survey to the NLIA Facebook page in order to gather more responses before the deadline.
12-12-15	Provided an update on road closures in N. Lawrence, and posted on Facebook.
12-14-15	Attended monthly NLIA meeting. Recorded meeting minutes and gave coordinator update. See meeting minutes for more information.
1-4-16	Provided an update on road closures in N. Lawrence, and posted on Facebook.
1-8-16	Began working on grocery store survey results summary report.
1-9-16	Finished survey results summary report.
1-10-16	Created Facebook post to provide information about the upcoming NLIA meeting, and who the guest speaker would be.
1-11-16	Attended monthly NLIA meeting. Recorded meeting minutes and gave coordinator update. See meeting minutes for more information. Sent results of the downtown grocery store survey to the Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department. Sent President updated report.
1-23-16	Emailed the Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department the raw downtown grocery store data.
1-28-16	Shared lawrenceks.org news alert about road closures in N. Lawrence.

**November 2015 – January 2016**  
**NLIA Major Activities List**

NLIA Monthly Meeting (11-9-15) – Est. Attendance: 15

NLIA Monthly Meeting (12-14-15) – Est. Attendance: 10

NLIA Monthly Meeting (1-11-16) – Est. Attendance: 25

**Date: 11-9-15**

**Time: 7pm to 8:30pm**

**Board Present: Ted(President), Jeff (Vice President), Beverly(Treasurer), and Dylan (Coordinator)**

**President Report:**

Matt bond had to reschedule due to an urgent matter, but he will be at the January meeting. The boring machine used to create a tunnel under the railroad has broken, and is currently being repaired. The project currently is still on schedule as of now. The next meeting will be held at Centenary Methodist Church, and it will be our annual holiday party. Margaret Sanders who recently turned 100 years old and is still a member of NLIA. ICL made a generous donation to our holiday fund. Also, ICL donated \$1,500 dollars for the purchase and distribution of weather radios in North Lawrence. Once there is enough interest an order will be place. The other plant located next to ICL would also like to donate to the weather radio fund. The downtown grocery store is an ongoing process, and Ted meets with grocery store committee regularly. The proposed location in the former Borders building qualifies for federal grants since it is in a food desert. NLIA currently has a survey to gather grocery store shopping habits and other information from North Lawrence Residents. The owners of the property wish to add a couple of stories to the existing structure, but there is still debate about this. The police chief would be willing to come over and talk with the neighborhood, but it would most likely be March before he is able to attend a meeting. Ted has been in contact with Union Pacific about meeting with them, and has also initiated advocating for a quiet zone to be put in place. There will be a food drive at the next meeting for the Ballard Center (Canned food, Diapers, & Paper towels).

**Public Comments:**

Evan Holt gave an update about the status of the Levee Café. They will be running it, and Paul Werner is dealing with the rezoning of the property. There is a gravel lot (4<sup>th</sup> and Elm) that will be used to accommodate parking. It will most likely have around a seating capacity of 25 with an outdoor patio. The café will be open from 7am to 3pm Tuesday/Wednesday, and 7am to dinner time Thursday-Saturday. Will be using the existing signage, and adding potentially adding bike racks.

Member of the public wanted some information/forms about railroad crossing behavior.

NLIA holiday charity money would like to be collected by December 1<sup>st</sup>.

## NLIA Monthly Meeting Minutes

**Date: 12-14-15**

**Time: 7pm to 8:15pm**

**Board Present: Ted(President), Beverly(Treasurer), and Dylan(Coordinator)**

### **Meeting Discussion:**

This was an abbreviated meeting due to the nature of the meeting and attendance level.

As indicated previously, Price Chopper is still the grocer that has expressed interest in being the tenant for the former Borders building. The NLIA grocery store survey will be ending soon, and Ted has gathered approximately 50 hard copy surveys to go along with Facebook survey. There are also potential options for a pharmacy at Hobbs-Taylor Lofts. It is still a year or two away from it being opened to the public for use if they go through with the plan.

**Date: 1-11-16**

**Time: 7pm to 9pm**

**Board Present: Ted(President), Jeff(Vice-president), Beverly(Treasurer), and Dylan(Coordinator)**

### **President Report:**

The grocery store survey that was created was highly successful, and we gathered a lot of good data. A report has been passed around for everyone to look at. The report will also be presented to the grocery store committee this week. Ted has been going to these meetings for the past two years. Natalya attended a conference where there was a presenter from Price Chopper who explained that the company is committed to buying local. They are still trying to determine (and also studying) how to maximize the space by a potential expansion upward or to the east. The parking situation needs to be discussed, but there are options for the owners of the space to pursue. If this location for some reason does not happen then there are other potential opportunities for a grocery store in or near N. Lawrence. NLIA has been active in supporting the Levee café plan that is located near 3<sup>rd</sup> and Elm. There is still some work to be done with regards to variances and the planning commission. However, it is the belief of NLIA that this will be a valuable addition to the community.

### **Treasurers Report:**

We collected \$5,300 in holiday donations and adopted 4 families. Donations were also given to the VNA and the Ballard Center. The thank you notes are written and ready to be dispensed. NLIA had a beginning balance \$5,794 in December, and a final balance of \$5,029 for the month. The NLIA Chili Feed will be February 8<sup>th</sup> 5:30 – 8:00pm.

### **Matt Bond (City of Lawrence Stormwater Engineer) Report:**

The Levee will be closed until late February. 6<sup>th</sup> and Locust may be open around January 22<sup>nd</sup>, but he will know more later this week. Entire project will be done July 1<sup>st</sup> if it stays on schedule.

### **Public Comments:**

Community Village has had a trial period and was rated as satisfactory. They have started the program recently, and expect they will need more volunteers soon. The purpose of the program is to foster a community/neighborly environment, and help those that are older stay in their homes as long as possible.

Changes at Pinwheel Farm will be forthcoming. She is looking for offers to purchase/lease/partner with the farm. More detailed information can be on the farm website, but the offers will be evaluated near the end of February.

The Champs program would be a nice addition to the grocery store that will serve the N. Lawrence if possible.