Neighborhood Preservation Commission March 13. 2014 Minutes

A meeting of the Neighborhood Preservation Commission was held on Thursday, March 13, 2014 at 5 p.m. in Economic and Community Development, Blue Room.

Chairman, David Jackson was present and presiding.

In attendance –Allyson Avera, Archana Agrawal, Lynn Crawford, Renee DeGutis, Joe Keohane, Margaret Owens, Cathy Philips, Pat Mahoney

Absent -

Also in attendance –Sherrye Harris – Neighborhood Coordinator, Joe Nunes – Manager, Neighborhood Services, and Alderman Greg Marcom

A quorum was established.

Minutes –Minutes were deferred to next meeting.

Chairmen's Comments – Saturday, March 29 from 7 a.m. to noon, at the Pickering Center the Kiwanis's will host a pancake breakfast. The tickets are \$5.

Reports

Alderman Greg Marcom Report – Alderman Marcom stated that things are really going well in the City of Germantown. The area north of GPAC will be exciting. Germantown has designated again "Tree City USA".

Neighborhood Services Report – No report

Planning Commission – Joe Nunes reported that at the March meeting there was a proposal for a Circle K store at the corner of Forest Hill and Winchester. The preliminary and site plan were both approved. At Kimbrough and Wolf River there is an office park planned. The Village of Germantown will be doing an expansion. On the April meeting, there will be an outline plan of the corner of Germantown Road and Neshoba. This will be a mixed use development. This is in the Smart Code area. Methodist and West Cancer have purchased the UT Medical Group building. This facility will become a cancer facility which will mean a small expansion to the building, plus a one story parking facility on the backside of the building. A lot of great things are going on in Germantown.

CONA Report – David Jackson reported that CONA will meet March 27.

Tree Board – No report given.

Home Tour – Cathy Phillips reported that the Home Tour is going to be very exciting this year. There will be five homes, one outdoor hardscape and four great homes. There is an early 1900's home a 1970's home with a remodeled kitchen and laundry room. There is a nice home on New Riverdale where the husband is the contractor and did a lot of renovation in the living area. There is a home that was built in 1978 and is 7,700 square feet. Sherrye gave out a copy of the directions and descriptions. The police reserves have been requested. The cones have been requested. Allyson is in charge of the volunteers and she is working to secure those. The after pre tour party will be held at Lisa Harris' home. The reserve officers will be invited to the pre tour party.

Alderman Marcom suggested using QR codes. He said he would look into working with it for the tour. Sherrye will order new signs for the tour.

Pat Mahoney stated that the Home Builders, Wall Builders Supply and one other company have agreed to be sponsors for the home tour.

Unfinished Business – Joe stated that the accessory structure ordinance did not get on the planning commission agenda this but it will be next month.

New Business – David Jackson reported that the subcommittee met Tuesday to start with the planning of the Summit. Sherrye reported that Jason Manual has agreed to be the keynote speaker. Joe Keohane reported that the group decided to talk with the school PTA's to see if they wanted to have a booth at the summit. Some of the ideas for the round table discussions were to discuss for instance, the process on how to renovate your home, insurance, event coordination and the better business bureau. There will be three round tables and two sessions. David is going to write a letter to the neighborhood associations asking for their support with the summit with sponsorships, attendance and nomination of awards. Preregistration will be requested this year to get a better idea of attendance.

Joe Keohane suggested that the commission look at helping the neighborhood association to become more active. He will meet with Sherrye and anyone that would like to come to have a brain storming session tomorrow at Huey's at 11:30 a.m.

Concerns and or comments – none

As there was no other business the meeting was adjourned.