**Mapleton-Fall Creek Neighborhood Association**

Minutes for April 8, 2021

New Circle Church

6:35 P.M. Meeting called to order by Travis Tatlock, President

6:35 P.M. Review of minutes from March and approval of the minutes

6:36 P.M. Treasurer’s Report

* Chase Account - $3,236.93
* Prudential Account - $8,894.79
* Can pay dues online through PayPal account or via check

6:37 P.M. Keep Indianapolis Beautiful – Fall Creek Parkway Clean Up Review

* Clean up was on Saturday, March 13
* 40+ Volunteers
* More to come on cleanups, looking to do something on a block level
* If you have a site/block that could use clean up, let us know

6:40 P.M. Indy Go – Purple Line Development

* Timeline
  + Will start in late 2021 and continue into 2023/2024
* Senate Bill 141 – Funding
  + This bill was going to change how federal funding could be used, but bill died in Committee
* They are moving forward with purple line.
* There will be a station at 38th Street and Park.
* There will be some construction headache.

6:41 P.M. INDOT North Split Project and Shutdown

* They are moving forward. As of mid-May, there will be some closures for 18 months.
* We won’t be able to use the split as we probably are now.
* Alternate routes for Mapleton-Fall Creek

6:43 P.M. Renew Indianapolis

* 127 E. 34th St. - $290k, Hoosier Outreach Project, 4-units, rental
  + Coordinated with Storage Space (art gallery)
  + Apartments will be for artists
  + Lot is currently open lot that the city owns right now
  + Technically this is within Historic Meridian Park
* 3530 Birchwood Ave. - $156.5K, 1 unit for resale
  + Travis spoke with Ryan Funk (prior board member) who lives in the area. He spoke with other neighbors. They were glad something was going in here because it’s been vacant for over a decade.
* 3116 N. New Jersey St.
  + 2 applications
    - $140k – Quantrell Turner
    - $277.7k – INHP with MFDCP - Goal is to help provide new homes to lower income individuals and also subsidize the total cost of the home to make it affordable on a monthly basis.

6:50 P.M. Neighborhood Partners

* IMPD
  + Weather is nice, so will start seeing people out later, playing music, etc.
  + Phone scam are on the rise
    - If people are trying to get you to give them money, probably a scam.
    - Let elderly friends, family, or neighbors know about this as they are often the target.
  + If you hear shots fired, please call police.
    - Casings are difficult to locate at night, but they have been sending officers out the next day to collect shell casings to see if they can be linked to open cases or other shots fired incidents.
  + They are working 38th Street, as there have been several motor vhicle involved accidents and pedestrian accidents.
  + B-Link
    - Database for police to hook up with individuals that have outdoor cameras or doorbell cameras.
    - Register on website.
    - Police can contact you if there is a crime in your area to see if you have footage.
    - Also have B-Pro for businesses.
  + Burglaries
    - A burglary is when someone breaks in to steal something or commit a crime.
    - Any report is assigned to a detective, even if there is no suspect.
    - A few things you can do to not become a victim:
      * Always lock doors and windows when you leave
      * Close garage doors
      * Cover basement windows
      * Hide valuable items in garage so you can’t see looking in the window
      * Leave lights on at night, especially if away
      * Don’t leave hide a keys
      * If you see something suspicious, report it.
      * If you see anyone in vacant residence, especially at night, report it.
      * If you are remodeling, take pictures of serial numbers.
      * Take photos of rare items, like jewelry
      * Alarm system is great, but cameras are even better
        + Picture or footage doesn’t mean crime is solved though because police still have to be able to ID the suspect.
    - If you come home and see door open, don’t go in. Call the police. Do not touch anything until after police process the scene.
    - Do report if car rummaged through because they may see pattern of it happening in neighborhood or may be connected to other crimes.
* Mayor’s Neighborhood Advocate
  + Vaccinations are open to everyone now
  + Mask order still in effect for Marion County
  + Property taxes
    - Lots of people haven’t received bills yet, but should receive soon
    - They are really pushing people to pay online this year.
    - If you do pay online, no surcharge to use your card.
  + Jeff’s number – 317-327-5115
  + There is no process currently for having alley pot holes filled. If ones are getting paved or filled, it’s probably because there is a project nearby that the city is doing and they have extra materials.
  + If dumping issues in alley, city can put up signs that say the city will issue fines if they catch the dumping. This may help prevent the dumping.
* The Children’s Museum
  + Many benefits of museum membership, including: 10% discount for guest, 10% discount on birthday party, 10% discount at gift shop, discount to go to Indy Fuel game, reciprocal relationship with Field Museum in Chicago, discount with Frequent Pest Solutions
  + Will be in person event on June 19 – Juneteenth Jamboree
  + Mid-North Promise program
  + Internship program
* MFCDC - They are meeting every other month.
* Freewheelin’ Bikes
  + Scheduling 4 weeks out
  + They have many bikes and they are behind, so are hiring
  + Community Ride - May 1st at 10 am– free for all ages
  + Last Saturday of month – bike donation day
  + Apprentice program – paid – 20 hours a week

7:24 P.M. Other updates from the floor/open discussion

* Cleanup of College Ave bridge
* Union Park Place
  + Yard sale going on first weekend of May
  + Let him know if anyone else wants to do one
* 34th and Fall Creek Parkway
  + Part of Dig Indy project
  + Brick structure
  + Still doing underground explosions
  + Not sure how much longer this will be going on
* DPW announced capital infrastructure updates for 2021 season. They will be converting some intersections in neighborhood to being ADA compliant.
* Crew Carwash and Indy Parks are hiring
* The National - pop up event for the first full week of May
  + 7 am to 11 am
  + Drive up and get coffee – Blue Mind Coffee

7:28 P.M. Call for motion to adjourn