



WEST LAKEVIEW NEIGHBORS

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West Lakeview Neighbors Meeting Minutes

November 13, 2012; 7:00pm; Mystic Celt; 43 people present

Will DeMille, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00

Raffle throughout the evening

Raffle tickets were drawn throughout the meeting. Product gift certificates from David's Tea and Dunkin' Donuts were passed out. Raffle ticket donations totaled \$385.00.

Commander Voulgaris, 19th District

The Commander reviewed crime statistics in our part of the neighborhood. Burglaries are up. He said a lot of burglaries were because of easy access to a residence, and urged everyone to close and lock windows and doors.

Alderman Tom Tunney

Said the city's budget would not be controversial. He reported that Lake View High School was reconstituted and that the state legislature will continue to review statewide pensions. Cubs expansion will be discussed in the next 6 months as will concerts, night games, and financial aid. He said Senator Cullerton has been the catalyst to make the 1230 W. School St. playlot happen.

The Cubs organization has committed to funding the park with \$750,000. He said that plans are in the works for the LaSalle Bank site and the empty lot that was Burt Wyman Ford. More bike lanes will be enhanced, perhaps on School and Roscoe.

Alderman Ameya Pawar

Will become the Alderman for most of what was Ald Waguespack's ward in west Lakeview. He announced a Marianno's grocery store is going in at Ravenswood and Lawrence. He also mentioned that the current budget proposal will not be controversial. Revenue streams will increase for the city, 80% of the budget is personnel and pensions. He finds it problematic to finance the Cubs and objects to casinos in Chicago.

WLVN Boundary Expansion

A motion was made to extend WLVN's northern boundaries. Addison stays the northern boundary from Racine to Ashland, then our boundary will extend north on Ashland to Irving Park, and then west to Ravenswood, which is the current western boundary. The motion was seconded and passed.

Expanded Member Residence Requirements

A motion was made to amend the bylaws so that members who move out of the WLVN boundaries, but stay within one mile of said boundaries, may retain their membership. It was seconded and passed.

WLVN Board of Directors Election

The Board members present were asked to raise their hands. Then, a motion was made to retain the current 10 Board members. They are Will DeMille, Patricia Craig, Tom Kelley, Jason Mundy, Jennifer Kasowicz, Terri Hanley, John Lyons, Stacey Paradis, Yael Hochberg, and Bill Latin. The motion was seconded and passed. The Board members elect officers.