West Lakeview Neighbors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 8, 2011; 6:30

Ald Waguespack- Cubs meeting- moratorium on late night liquor licenses (4am) has been put in place; funding for capital improvements at Lakeview High School has been requested; May 17th LVCC is hosting a meeting to discuss educational topics. Sidewalk cafes should have only 1 entrance/exit, and they will be policed more frequently this summer.

WLVN 2011-2013 Strategic Plan – Draft was passed out to everyone with 4 goals: Work to build credibility and advocacy presence: Generate public awareness of community issues: Grow membership/participation: Give back to the WLVN community.

Rock Around the Block Street Festival – Stacy Paradis gave a brief history of the festival. A non-profit should technically back it. A permit has been requested by RATB. There has been no local input into the management of the festival (set-up, clean-up, security, noise, etc.); oversight committee should review books once event is over; a local organization would distribute the revenues. WLVN would receive a minimum of \$10,000 and be responsible for disturbing monies in the neighborhood. There is support for festivals. The Ald said his office will have their own rules/restrictions. He said he will not approve RATB until WLVN has in-put. Who is sponsoring it, who will benefit, timing of festival, police issues need to be reviewed. Make sure funding is coming back to this neighborhood.

A motion was made by Ann McCabe that stated:

WLVN will support the street festivals that meet the following conditions:

- Local oversight of the event management firm, including review of budgets, expenses and open books after the event
- Coordination of logistics (pre-, during, and post-event), including increased security, trash pick-ups, and portable toilets
- Minimum contribution which would be distributed by WLVN or local entity to local non-profits, plus a percentage of profits (30-50%) on the back end

The motion was 2nd and passed with a vote of members.

LVCC Updates: President Diane Marsalek reviewed upcoming events: 2nd Sunday every month a bike ride; April 19th a health fair at St Lukes; Cinco de Mayo fundraiser - Sunday May 1st at Vinnes on Clark; free outdoor movies. To see complete schedule of events visit www.lakeviewcitizens.org.

Lakeview Area Master Plan (LAMP) - Heather Way, Director of the Lake View Chamber of Commerce, reviewed the process of spending SSA money. Reviewed neighborhood elements that draw people here with consultants. Open houses for residents to give in-put and youth summit for opinions were held. Data from over 1,000 people was reviewed. Executive summary is available, business retention, business attraction, green initiatives, tutoring with local businesses. This will be reviewed March 15th, at St Luke's Church 7:00. Register in advance at www.thisislakeview.com

New Merchant – Tiffni Williams, owner of Studio Flex, 3948 N. Southport, introduced herself and her personal training business.

Max Bever with Tunney- biggest concern is potholes, graffiti is on the rise, call if you see any. Street cleaning will begin the last week in March. 1230 W. School is being demolished, half of it will be a park. A fundraising committee will be created to raise money to purchase the other half. Call Bennett at Tunney's office to volunteer.

Deborah Parich, Legislative Aide to State Representative Ann Williams, introduced herself and announced their office at 1726 W. Belmont in now open. The phone is 773-880-9082, e-mail is ann@repannwilliams.com. There will be an open house and coffee Saturday, March 19th, 10am – 12pm.

New business –

The owners of 3358 N. Ashland, formerly the bar, Pour, are open to ideas for the space. Pour is closed.

There is a liquor license application posted at 3244 N. Lincoln (formerly Bourbon), by Froth and Swine, LLC, for the Northdown Café and Taproom.