

West Lakeview Neighbors Meeting Minutes

July 10, 2012; 7:00pm; Mystic Celt; 20 people present

Will DeMille, President, called the meeting to order at 7:08pm.

New Board Members introduced –

Will introduced 2 of 3 new Board members - Bill Latin and Jason Mundy. Luke Carl was not present.

Northwestern Memorial Hospital Immediate Care Facility at 1333 W. Belmont –

Sarah Burke and Bridget Gibbons from Northwestern Memorial announced the immediate care facility will be open 24/7, 365 days a year. Physicians on staff will have regular office hours.

August 20th is the opening. It will offer primary care services, radiologic with MRI, wavered lab, immediate care facility on first floor – physician care without an appointment, 8am-8pm.

Northwestern partnered with the developer to plan the layout, but do not own the building. There will also be a small Walgreens. The additional space is controlled by the developer. There will be 39 ticketed parking spaces on the first floor. It will have security cameras. The building will have a porter, 8 -10 hours a day, 6 or 7 days a week. There will be 11 parking spots for staff. Garbage will all be maintained inside the building. There will be an LED backlit sign on the building, and will be turned off at 10:00 at night. Staff parking will be off-street.

Rock Around the Block Review-

Candice, from Star Events, stated that the event was well attended, some Belmont businesses participated. Attendance was steady both days. No security problems occurred. Will mentioned that the lack of communications prior to the event was a problem. WLVN will reach out to businesses if the annual festival continues. Will thought the festival went well. July 24th there will be a meeting at the library with Star Events, at 6:30. People with comments, positive or negative should attend. At this meeting WLVN will solicit feedback on how to improve any future neighborhood festivals. One resident thought the whole festival was well managed. A business owner stated that there was little problem. Priority parking was provided for Dinkel's and the YMCA. Star Events people directed traffic on Melrose.

Aldermanic update –

Max Bever from Alderman Tunney's. Crime is on the rise in the area. Robbery and thefts, car and home break-ins top the list. Call 911 if anyone looks suspicious. There were several high incidents, go to the website for the community alerts. The Belmont station is a high crime spot in

the 44th Ward. There was a sexual attack in the area. The Pride parade went well, traffic management was strict. Feedback is welcome.

School Street Playlot-

The Park District purchased the property. A \$500,000 grant was received from the state with help from Senator Cullerton. The Cubs will be involved. The Ald would like \$50,000 to be raised in the neighborhood. Weds, the 18th, there will be a meeting at Sheil Park Fieldhouse to review equipment. WLVN will be having fundraisers, and a new committee to promote and maintain the 3 parks in our neighborhood.

LVCC Update-

Will announced that he is now President of the Lake View Citizens Council. He will make an effort to involve more of the Lake View area. One of the Cubs discussion topics is parking.

Cubs- Upcoming events are the Springstein concert, a soccer game, and picnic in the park.

Will introduced Gus Isaacson with Central Lake View Merchants Association.

And, also announced Brian Rosen of Evolution Wine will have a grand opening.