

## Woodcliffe Neighborhood Association Meeting

July 15, 2021

Meeting Minutes

Meeting began at 6:03 pm with prayer by Larry Fife.

Larry introduced Lisa Tyler from Sr. Resources to give an overview of what is available to Muskegon County seniors. The program was started by the federal government to keep older adults (60+) in their home, living independently, for as long as possible.

You may contact Senior Resources at: seniorresourceswi.org or dial 211 and tell them what type of services you need. They are located in Tanglewood Park off Seminole in Norton Shores. They are also responsible for Meals on Wheels (231-755-0434).

### **Treasurer Report (Velma Shea)**

Current account balance \$840

Expenses \$135.04 (gift cards, awards, zoom payment, awards certificates)

### **Social Events Committee Report (Violet Johnson)**

Flower Pots: Residents are enjoying flowers on the corners in the neighborhood & hoping that this will continue next year. If you are interested in the pots that are located on the corner of Fieldstra and Getty, you may purchase those from Ole Henry, completed. Contact anyone from the SEC if you'd like those.

Christmas bags/luminaries: SEC is seeking feedback regarding your thoughts and to share ideas about the timing of the distribution of bags. They will investigate how they are made and distributed in Muskegon. Lakeside has a committee of people who put the luminaries out. Larry feels a separate committee should be created for this purpose.

Block party: Is there an interest? (Email will be sent to canvass neighborhood)

Is there interest in having a yard sale on July 31? (Email will be sent to canvass neighborhood.)

### **Cares Act Funds for City of Muskegon Heights (Angela Johnson)**

Committee consists of: Ronald Jenkins, Mark Glover, Tameka Fox, Troy Bell, Mimi Rankin, Angie Johnson, Rina Garzia, Dan Oglesby, Mayor Watt, Trinell Scott, and Eddie Selmon

Brainstorming what to do with the \$11M

Each person came up with different ideas of what to do with the funds such as: street repairs, upgrade Broadway, revitalize and restructure the whole downtown area, park, splash pad, also talk of bringing out more security cameras. Discussion regarding a survey to go out to everyone in the City of Muskegon Heights. Another project discussed was to revitalize more areas of Mona Lake. Troy to find out more regarding guidelines and clarification from the State for using

the funds. Next meeting will be Monday/Tuesday next week at 5:30 pm. How were people selected? Random. Send questions to Angie at [nickoftime@hotmail.com](mailto:nickoftime@hotmail.com).

### **Beautification Committee (Larry Fife)**

YOM winners so far this year: Lanette Smith (June) & Mr. & Mrs. Dillard (July).

Received strong support in cleaning Harris Park from CCD & Boys & Girls Club.

Trying to maintain terrace on Summit. Another cleanup planned for August to repair the board walk at the park and install a bench near the instruments. Currently there are plans to clear out more trees (next year), and a grant request was submitted a couple weeks ago to do additional work at the park.

### **Neighborhood Council Website (Marquis Childers/Larry Fife)**

Marquis was asked to speak to clear up the confusion for some of the Neighborhood Council vs the Neighborhood Association. The council plans and works with all associations in the City of Muskegon Heights.

Marquis is part of a larger group that is responsible for signage and are currently looking for two locations to place signs. These signs will have "Woodcliffe Neighborhood" Marquis is looking for suggestions of what the sign should look like and where to place them. Signs will be paid for by the State of Michigan.

Neighborhood Council is different from the Neighborhood Association. Woodcliffe, Bethlehem (Mark Glover), Crescent (Mimi Rankin), brought all neighborhood presidents together to meet as a Muskegon Heights Neighborhood Association Council and to collaborate together, as one voice for the City neighborhoods. [www.muskegonheightsstrong.com](http://www.muskegonheightsstrong.com)

The Community Foundation will provide funds for neighborhood block parties.

### **Other**

Food Truck Drive sponsored by the Rotary on July 27<sup>th</sup> at Temple Methodist Church across from MHHS at 4:30 pm. More information will be provided via email.

Next meeting will be held in September.

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm