

PIKE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Meeting Minutes 06/13/12

Susan Blair called the meeting to order at 7:09 PM.

I. WELCOMING – OPEN REMARKS – INTRODUCTION OF ELECTED OFFICIALS, CITY PERSONNEL, CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE

Brief welcome by Susan.

At this time Susan recognized elected officials, city personnel, and community representatives in attendance.

Ed Delaney – State Representative House District 86 – Pike Township

Dennis Papenmeier - Administrator, Division of Neighborhood Services, City of Indianapolis

Karen Lightbourne – Mayor’s Neighborhood Liaison Northwest Outer Region

Senator Mike Delph – State District 29

Janice McHenry – City-County Councillor-District 6

Anthony Burke – Neighborhood Liaison, Health and Hospital Corporation

Karen Lightbourne briefly introduced herself as the new neighborhood liaison for the northwest outer region. Previously she was a community builder for the Children’s Museum. Her e-mail address is **Karen.Lightbourne@indy.gov**, and her office phone is 317-327-5157. She told us the next Mayor’s Night out is June 21st at Garden City Elementary School located at 4901 Rockville Rd., 6:00-7:00pm. She also indicated that Indy Parks has started swim safety education.

Susan read the full mission statement.

Visitors and board members and ex-officio members asked to sign in at back table.

Agendas, copies of the board of directors’ roster, PTRA membership forms, on the back table.

If you are not a member of PTRA and would like to become one, Membership fees are \$15.00 for individual/family, \$40.00 for homeowner’s associations, \$30.00 for business. This fee helps defray the cost of supplies, copying, postage, website, etc. Additionally, we oftentimes contribute monetary to services that benefit the Pike Township community.

If you are interested in becoming a board of director, please contact one of the board members.

The Pike Township Residents Association, (or acronym PTRA) is a non-profit organization founded in 1972 that provides a forum for Pike Township residents and business owners to meet to discuss regional and local neighborhood concerns such as, but not limited to, land use, whether it be new or modifications to existing, parks, recreation, transportation, schools, drainage, sewage problems, water supply, area beautification. PTRA is an umbrella organization for local neighborhood associations and also serves the needs of individual residents and businesses. Decisions are identified by support, not-support or no-position. The decisions made are recommendations only, albeit, the decision is highly regarded by the Metropolitan Development Commission and the Boards of Zoning Appeals, Divisions I, II and III.

Final decisions on zoning cases is determined by the Metropolitan Development Commission, the City-County Council, the Boards of Zoning Appeals (Divisions I, II or III) or a court of law.

The petitioners will be given 15 minutes to present their proposal. Residents will also be given 15 minutes for questions and/or comments. Board members will then make suggestions, ask questions or make comments.

Please refrain from asking questions during the petitioner’s presentation. Be mindful, respectful and courteous at all times. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Board member quorum verified.

II. APPROVAL OF APRIL 2012 BOARD MEETING MINUTES – Clint motioned to accept the April Minutes as written. Ray seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

III. TREASURER’S REPORT – Fran was not in attendance -- no Treasurer’s Report.

IV. REPORT FOR PIKE TOWNSHIP FROM INDIANAPOLIS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT NORTHWEST DISTRICT AND PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

DREW WIGNAL OR HEATHER KISTLER – Drew Wignal, Deputy Prosecutor, Northwest District. Drew placed copies of a report on the back table. This new report is a synopsis of the monthly crime report for Pike Township and shows some select cases and some additional filings of significance. Drew spoke briefly about the “Takeaway Graffiti Program.” Supplies can be donated. There was a cover-up on the 12th at twelve different locations. Drew can be reached directly at 317-327-6652. IMPD Northwest District Community Day will be Wednesday June 27th, 4:30–7:30pm at New Augusta North Academy, 6450 Rodebaugh Rd.

V. REPORT FROM MAYOR’S NEIGHBORHOOD LIAISON-NORTHWEST OUTER REGION

KAREN LIGHTBOURNE – Karen gave her contact information during introductions.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS, PLAT REPORTS, AND CORRESPONDENCE -

Clint – Westside Chamber of Commerce Networking Event, July 12, 6:00pm at Chef Mike’s Charcoal Grill, 71st & 465.

Susan – Pike Fire’s yearly Safety Festival, September 22, 11:00am-3:00pm. Food, fun, and games. Does PTRR desire to have a table again? If so, volunteers will be needed.

Susan – 86th & Georgetown Rd. - ESI site. Cleanup is almost completed. There has been tremendous progress. There has been some interest in acquiring the property. When operating, Pike taxpayers spent approximately \$60,000.00 for 911 calls due to ESI’s gas like odor emissions. After bankruptcy, ESI personnel left the site contaminated. Some storage tanks were full; others had sludge that contained PCB’s. The EPA was notified and involved. Originally, no agency wanted to be responsible for the clean-up cost. ESI’s largest customer offered to clean the site at their expense.

Susan – 4300 West 62nd Street. Revitalization Area. Went to hearing and passed. There will be tax abatements for the development.

Susan – 6830 West 38th Street, McDonald’s. Park District 2 approval for a second drive-thru and remodel. Mark and Susan decided it wasn’t necessary to hear.

Susan – Gas Station – Kroger – West 86th Street. MDC voted to approve; vote 5-4. Councillor Evans is considering calling it down to council. Needs 15 councillor votes to have a full hearing. Will be on June 25th Council meeting agenda. Four Councillors have supported the remonstrance – Jose Evans, Angela Mansfield, Zach Adamson (At-Large), Pam Hickman (At-Large). It was discovered that what was thought to be a retention pond adjacent to Willow Lake Shopping Plaza is actually a branch of Crooked Creek, which ultimately flows into White River. Bravo participated in the remonstrance at the first hearing, did not participate in the second. Special recognition and thanks to Mark Patty and Jan Marshall for their remonstrance assistance.

VII. ALCOHOL PERMITS -

Hearing 07/16/12	Bravo	– 2658 lake Circle Drive	– 3-way - renewal
	Hooka Lounge	– 3671 West 86 th Street	– 3-way – new
	Chili’s	- 6020 West 86 th Street	- 3-way – renewal
	AM/PM #38	- 6050 West 71 st Street	- renewal
	Tegry Bistro	- 6010 West 86 th Street	- renewal
	Monical’s Pizza	- 6010 West 86 th Street	- renewal

Susan provided status of The Hooka Lounge alcohol permit. They were denied a renewal; continued to serve alcohol while under appeal. The appeal was denied; the permit has been pulled. Another location in Carmel (96th & Michigan Rd.), the Double Apple, owned and operated by Hooka Lounge owner's son, was recently cited for serving minors (second time this year). Hamilton County (Carmel) reacted quickly, business no longer operating two weeks later. It was discovered the son had a DUI from 2008. The permit purchased by the son at the ATC's auction was withdrawn. Hooka Lounge owner also purchased a second permit at the auction; she desires to sell it. Marion Co. Alcohol Board (MCAB) is inquiring with the State Alcohol Tobacco Commission (ATC) as to whether this is permitted. Hooka Lounge owner's sister also purchased a permit at auction. Hearing for her permit was scheduled for June 4. She notified MCAB that she is out of the country until August. Hearing continued to July 16.

Susan on behalf of PTRA is participating in a group, Alcohol Action Coalition. This coalition is made up of community leaders and citizens throughout Marion County who are concerned about alcohol availability and the permit process. Susan has been speaking to Senator Delph about the coalition's concerns and the feeling of being disenfranchised. Senator Delph agreed to conduct a meeting between concerned citizens and the State Alcohol Commissioner. Many feel the alcohol law should be re-written.

VIII. LAND USE – NEW PETITIONS

- 1) **8930 Lafayette Rd. – 2012-ZON-027** Louis Samuels requests rezoning of 0.86 acre from D-S to SU-1 to provide for church uses. Hearing continued by PTRA to 7/12/12, Hearing Examiner. Council District 1. Presenter is David Kingen. Chairperson is Don Bryson, PTRA Vice President-District I. – *Petitioner said there has been no significant alteration to the house. They are planning for asphalt drive and parking. House has septic system (petitioner and owners were not aware). The neighbors in attendance are very concerned with this proposal. They feel that it will detract from the neighborhood. Many feel there has been a great deal of deception. This church typically uses homes for meeting locations; 35 is typical attendance.* After much discussion, Don motioned to oppose; seconded by Ray. Susan did not move the motion forward for a vote; felt more information was needed before taking a position. Petition continued till next month.

Susan announced that next month Pike Township Firefighters will give a presentation regarding the possibility of consolidating with the Indianapolis Fire Department.

Meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Fisher, Secretary