

## Pike Township Residents' Association

### Meeting Minutes 7/9/08

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM.

Major Ciesielski with the Northwest District of IMPD was introduced to the group. He thanked PTRA for \$150.00 that was donated for officer of the month program. Susan provided six \$25 gift cards; one will be given out each month to the chosen officer.

**Guest Presentation** - Jo Lynn Garing with the Department of Water Works. She filled us in regarding water conservation. There was a handout that explained what has happened in past years and why there is a need to establish procedures when there are low water levels. There is a Water Shortage Task Force that is to be established that will manage water supplies during a time of crisis. There will be mandatory conservation measures, and there will be enforcement. There will be a warning issued when either Morse or Geist reservoirs have been reduced to an estimated 50% of their annual drawdown design capacities, when groundwater wells are not functioning properly or other circumstances. Certain things will be prohibited during a warning. During an emergency period the levels at the reservoirs will have been reduced to an estimated 25% of their annual drawdown. Any customer who violates the ordinance would be subject to a \$100 fine for the first offense and a \$250 fine for the second. Three or more the customer would be prosecuted and a fine up to \$2500 but no less than would \$500 would be imposed. This will be introduced to the City-County Council later this summer. Presentation is attached.

**Treasurer's Report** - \$3500 balance.

Report from IMPD Northwest and Prosecutor's Office - Heather Kistler, Prosecutors office Northwest District ( [hkistler@indygov.org](mailto:hkistler@indygov.org) ) filled us in on various subjects.

- 1) There has been a real problem with soliciting on corners. There is to be no soliciting for any reason....work for food....need money for gas....stranded, need money to get home....or charity collections with buckets who have people walk between cars. Fines are \$25 fine for the 1st offense, and a ticket and a trip to court for the second. If we happen to be out and about and see these activities we can call the non-emergency number at 327-3811 or 911 if we feel it is necessary.
- 2) They did a graffiti cover-up 2 weeks ago at 10 locations in Pike Township.
- 3) Provided police run report for June. Said daytime home burglaries had the highest number of incidents.

### **Announcements**

A for sale sign has been erected on the former YWCA property (Guion Rd). Understanding is -- Indianapolis Foundation (owner of property) will consider leasing the building/site also. If the building/site is not sold or leased soon, the foundation may demolish the building. They are interested in lowering their property tax obligation.

Mary Chalmers said the wellness facility proposed for the John & Mary Geisse Soccer Complex

of Eagle Creek Park has been withdrawn. The Parks Dept. is committed to continuing their efforts to locate funding to pave the parking areas and construct a small building to house concessions, restrooms and storage. Susan read the official press release from Joseph Wynns, Director, Park Dept., announcing the decision not to pursue the wellness facility.

Jerry Fisher was introduced to the group. Nomination as a board member and Secretary was made. Motion made, duly seconded. Jerry elected to the board and Secretary position.

The Golden Skillet has closed on 56th and Georgetown. Upon approval, AutoZone will lease the site. Existing restaurant building to be demolished. New AutoZone building to be constructed.

IMPD Community day on 7/30 from 4 - 8 pm at Guion Creek Middle School, 52<sup>nd</sup> Street.

Tax abatement approved for 9550 Zionsville Rd....DCL Medical Laboratories. There will be 125 new jobs at the facility starting at \$18.49/hr., 152 jobs retained @ \$22.19/hr. It is a \$2.5 million project.

### **Liquor Permits**

Hearing scheduled for July 21, 2008, 9:30 AM, Rm 260, City-County Building

New beer/wine 3671 W/ 86th St. - Hooka Lounge

Renewals, Beer, Wine & Liquor 5620 Georgetown - Kelly's Pub  
3912 Vincennes Rd. - Embassy Suites North  
3508 W. 86th St. - Daruma Japanese  
5910 W. 86th St - Ted's Montana Grill

7834 N. Michigan Rd. - Just Wing'n It - transfer of ownership

### **Land Use - New Petitions**

**1) 7150 Marsh Rd. - 2008-APP- 041** - Drury Development - requesting approval of modification of the plan. They are to build a 5 story - 70' tall Drury Inn at 71st and Marsh Road. There is no problem with zoning. The neighbors are unhappy. There is landscaping that will help to block the view, but that was not good enough. Eventually there would also be a restaurant and office building (2 story) developed on the site. There was a recommendation from the board that it be approved. Also, a letter was read from Counselor Evans, District 1, who supports the petition. Ed S. made motion to support with commitments, landscaping and site plans; Don seconded. Motion carried with one opposition.

**2) 4930 Lafayette Rd. - 2008-APP-056** - KEI, LLC, requests approval to modify commitments:

- trash collection between 7:00 am - 9:00 pm Mon - Fri.
- only east end cap tenant allowed 11:00 pm - 7:00 am deliveries
- no outside audio except for bank drive through window or a drive-thru menu board speaker.
- no carry out alcohol except outdoor seating served in family style restaurant setting.
- business center operations 6:00 am - midnight, 7 days/week with east end cap tenant allowed 24 hr operation.
- language regarding construction of a sidewalk - eventually - to specifications of Dept of Public

Works & Americans with Disabilities Act.

Much discussion ensued for a commitment to construct a sidewalk now, not later as proposed, along the property's frontage. As a compromise, Jan suggested a smaller section of sidewalk, north of the center's ingress/egress, be committed to and constructed now. Petitioner agreed that this commitment could be tendered. Susan also suggested that the modification of commitment #11 be worded "No alcoholic beverages shall leave the interior of the building, however, alcoholic beverages may be served in the outdoor seating area of a "family-style" restaurant as set forth in Commitment #15." This commitment will preclude packaged liquor stores and alcohol beverages carried out to the parking lot. Petitioner agreed to the commitment change. Jan made motion to support with changed commitment language; Don seconded. Motion carried with one opposition.

### **Land Use - Preliminary Proposals**

- 1) **Centre Properties – Laf Rd** Presentation by Brian Tuohy. Centre Properties requests a variance for 2 signs – one along Laf Rd, the other along I-65. Discussion centered upon sign clutter within area. Clint suggested they speak to Discount Tire and encourage them to remove their sign in exchange for a panel on the Laf Rd. sign. Petitioner agreed to do so. Further discussion regarding Garden Ridge's sign. Petitioner has long term lease (15 years remaining) with Home Depot – they have subleased to Garden Ridge. Petitioner does not have authority to remove sign. Commitment was suggested – when the lease expires, Centre Properties agrees to remove sign. They agreed. This is a preliminary proposal, however, petitioner requests a position this evening if possible. They are meeting with a "large retailer" (name could not be disclosed) the following Friday. It would be advantageous for their negotiation position with the retailer if they could tell them they had community support for the signs. Motion was made and duly seconded to support with commitment. Susan reminded petitioners it is not the norm for PTRAs board to take a position prior to legal notices being received. We are extending a favor only because we have a major interest in the revitalization of the Laf Square area.
  
- 2) **7511 New Augusta Rd.** – a portion of the Crooked Creek Golf Course property. This same site defeated in a rezoning to apartments. Petitioner received in February a waiver of time limits for refilling. Same petitioner now desires to construct a senior citizen apartment complex with assisted living facility. PTRAs board is favorable to request – will need more details.

Adjourn 11:12 PM