

Harrison West Membership Meeting

March 21, 2012

Meeting called to order 7:00p.

Quorum was present.

Treasurer's report Checking \$3,239.36, \$24.00 online service, and \$185.00 Membership

Minutes Feb minutes M. Hollern motioned J. Sukosd seconded **Approved**

Presentation Brad Westall talked about the recreation path that is going to be built along Goodale and the Olentangy River. The old train trestle over 315 will be part of the path as well. A ramp will be added from Goodale down to the Olentangy River. The plan calls for colorful beams, and hand rails. The plan will also have some upscale details. The project starts spring 2013. The cost is 3 million. An URIF grant for 462,000 will be used for the train trestle. Grandview is adding bike lanes down Goodale to the park at Grandview and Goodale.

TIF Funds/Gowdy field There is \$185,108.00 dollars available in the TIF funds for public works. We have 1 million dollars from the sale of Gowdy Field to buy or improve park land in Harrison West. We have a list of possible ways to spend the TIF funds. Some more ideas were added to that list.

1. Vermont park needs some attention.
2. Portage for Kayaks & row boats at 2nd. Avenue was objected to because of trucks with trailers and added traffic and parking.
3. Keep TIF money for non park projects only. Use the 1 million for parks.
4. Restore and fix brick streets.
5. Change street lights to match new lights put power lines underground, and fix sidewalks. This was given High Priority on the list.
6. Harrison West painted on the outside of the trestle over 315.
7. Sewer lines need worked on. Some are 100 years old.
8. Community Garden We would need a vacant lot and support from Harrison West
9. Entry landscaping at 3rd. Avenue. An arch was discussed.

Development Thurber Village is building a new tower. Its located west on Goodale facing downtown. J. Sukosd is trying to contact them for a presentation to the society.

The 2nd and Pennsylvania project owner is still looking at the budget.

Grandview Yards Nationwide signed a 20 year contract with Giant Eagle. Harrison West traffic could increase as retail stores come on line there.

Parks There is a clean up scheduled for April 1st and the 28th for honeysuckle removal. Rose Glow Barberry bushes have been planted around sculptor in Harrison Park. This should help deter climbing on it. See B. Mangia or M. Williams for park clean up details.

Membership We have 100 members. Nominations for officers are needed soon.

Short North Foundation E martineau reported that Experience Columbus has given an award to the SNF for the Gallery Hop and the High Ball. The SNF gala is April 29th with our own HWS president Robert Harris receiving an unsung hero award. The short north yard sale is on June 2nd. The pond in Goodale Park is being fixed and should be ready to be refilled in April.

Conflict of Interest A document is ready to be presented and voted on at the April meeting. Most of the content was taken from the IRS website.

Crime report Theft from autos still was the biggest crime, but at a low rate. There was 1 burglary. A "Short North Block watch" table set up at the gallery hop.

Open Forum No new business to discuss.

Meeting adjourned