

Mapleton-Fall Creek Neighborhood Association Meeting

Minutes for 7/12/18

Unapproved

6: 37 p.m. Meeting to order by Nate Rush, president. Welcoming remarks, Introductions

6:38 p.m. - Review of Minutes

6:39 p.m. - Minutes approved

6:40 p.m. - Treasurer Report

- Chase: \$6,961.61
 - Prudential: \$7,144.00
- Expenditure update will be given next month. We maintain a good budget and keep activities within our budget.

6:42 p.m. National Night Out

- At Ruckle Pocket Park
- Tuesday, August 7
- Family fun, come and enjoy – it's a great partnership with local law enforcement and the city

6:43 p.m.- Guest Presentation

Aghilah Nadaraj on Thrive Indianapolis

- Purpose of the plan – feedback & plan with communities to help them communities thrive.
- Transportation and Land Use Survey - if you could fill this out today, that lets us know your thoughts on this planning process. Each week we have different surveys that will give community input for the actions happen.
- Equitable, Reduce poverty, helps build capacity, Fiscally responsible

Kaliah Ligon & Jane Canada from IndyGo RedLine

- Part of the broad Marion County transportation plan. We are able to make some major upgrades to our bus system. A big part of that was due to funding, we now have funds to do those improvements. 20 hours a day will be the hours of service. Our system will operate much longer hours. Some of those changes are rolling out and have already. Eventually we will have all of our busses running on Sundays.
- The bus numbers will be re-adjusted, the one that uses 17 College bus will not run past 38th street, you'll need to transfer onto the Red Line - two blocks on Park (in the middle of the road)
 - Q: What happens to the people that want to go to the north of college - they will have the inconvenience of the transfer.
 - A: With the red line, there will be the new transfer in order to go north of 38th, the trade off is that you have more frequent bus service. The Red line won't get on College until north of 38th street. There won't be a station at 38th and College. Spacing is at every .5 mile. This neighborhood has the red line and the purple line. Red will come up meridian at 18th street - one station both lines
- The new station will have landscaping, heat melt system that will keep the snow and ice from collecting. Working on an app so you won't need to use the vending machine for your ticket. You also will have wifi at these. Instead of bus stops on the red and purple line you'll have bus stations.
 - Q: are you hiring more drivers?
 - A: Yes we are currently and continuously hiring new drivers
- Red line is under construction now - goal is to have it open for service mid 2019
- As soon as red line is open we will begin construction for the purple line.

- Blue line will replace route 8 on Washington Street, which will have connectivity from Cumberland to the outlet. It should start about the time that the Purple line gets constructed.
- We are doing a lot of infrastructure to the corridors that we're using. We're making sure there are sidewalks and heavy pavement repairs to make sure it's smooth. We will also be working on drainage in that area. Along Meridian and 38th east of Gilford. The bus will be running in its own exclusive lanes. A median will be putting on the center of Meridian that will restrict left hand turns.
 - Q: if there is an active accident happening, are we able to use the bus lane to go around the accident in the lane?
 - A: We will need to ask - we doubt that would be a problem if there is no bus coming.
 - Q: Meridian to post?
 - A: Yes, one lane of traffic for general traffic, Meridian to Fall Creek.
- Discussion around curbs in the middle of the road.
 - Q: Park and ride option for people who don't live close to here?
 - A: Nothing has been made official at this moment, we would like to see something like that happen. There has been some conversation around that though. More specifically on the Blue line since it goes further out.
 - Q: Will this affect the Monon Train?
 - A: There is actually a plan to build a bridge over 38th street so there wouldn't be interruption. The Bus is only coming every 10 minutes so there will be the ability to time out crossing times.
 - Q: How many actual busses will be needed?
 - A: 16 dedicated busses being purchased.
 - Q: Will the cost to ride the bus change?
 - A: We're working on the fare study. I've been told the bus is staying the same - it isn't right now. It would need to be voted in from the board. That 1.75 should include the transfer and it will be the same for all routes. No premium rate to ride the BRT line.
 - Q: How will this effect traffic flow with the major thoroughfares?
 - A: We have been held to standards with DPW with levels of service - we've been coordinating with them. There is some amount of expected diversion for people who won't want to use this route. It will not be complete gridlock.
 - Q: do you have an idea on some of those diversion routes?
 - A: As a part of the diversion we aren't looking at an exact route, we're not advertising those routes - we are working with DPW and they will be doing improvements as we begin to see where those diversion trickling out.
 - Q: Is there a good way to communicate increased traffic?
 - A: I will find out and get that to you.

The improved service, we are hoping that it will encourage more ridership and less individual traffic.

- Q: Bike racks?
- A: Yes, inside the bus
- Meeting July 26 at the children's museum to talk about the Red line to answer as many questions as possible.

7:10 p.m. Updates from the Board

- Land Use, we have a lot of things going on with land use and people wanting to build things in our community. If you would want to work with Dustin on the Land Use committee we are asking for volunteers
- At our board meeting we approved some marketing materials
- At the State Fair we'll have a neighborhood day. We are needing volunteers for this day.
- Mr. Polin is working on one of the signs to indicate our neighborhood association - we'll have an ad hoc committee to take care of that and get that moving
- ReNew Indy properties - one we put on hold because it was an out of town land owner. One of our neighbors lives on college - she was mentioning the weeds behind her house keep growing and the guy who owns it isn't taking care of it. We're a little shy on approving out of town property owners unless

they display that they do actually take care of their properties. We did approve one for Broadway that sounds like it will be a good project.

- Q: what is the criteria for getting a Drug Free Zone? (Fairfield/Gilford) has something to do with schools. We don't have schools but we do have day care. There are 5 day care centers already in our area. We would like to have that zone area.
- A: We'll contact representatives to learn more and find out.
- Q: Do we have anything to do with the Weed & Seed program
- A: We meet every month. It's a federal type program. We meet the 2nd Wednesday of every month at TAB 9:30 a.m. We have an opportunity to get grant dollars. We weed out the bad and seed in the good. It coordinates the effort. Al is the representative on Weed & Seed.
- Q: Hope mentioned that the people in the community don't know about it. I wanted to bring it up here to make sure that you all knew about it. There's only about 2 people
- Comment: it is at a prime work hour so if you're not retired, it's difficult to make it.

7:22 p.m. –Open to the floor

National Neighborhood Night Out - August 7

- We need volunteers, man a table, if you know any businesses who would like to man a table. We'll also need food and game activities. If you're interested in volunteering, let me know.
- Next week TAB is having the 2nd year of TAB Jazz Fest - It was the last Sunday we were rained out but it's on our 34th and Central right in front of the church - bring your own lawn chair. We'll have more.
- Ashley weaver from INHRC- we are having a president's round table meeting to give neighbors and open opportunity to talk about engaging your community. Mr. Polin will be there, Monday, June 18, 708 E. Michigan St. 5:30 - 8:00. We are restructuring the organization - we are developing a training position that provides training to our organizations and businesses in the area. Feel free to reach out if you're interested in a training.
- Brenda Trudellbell - we have a great concern in terms of the assessment of our property and the tax rate. We understand there is something about a grandfather clause so we can be protected from the rising tax. We want to have tools in place. 3300 block of Washington Blvd.
 - Another concern has been sewer problems since they fixed it, 6 months,
 - Pam Tavernall of the MCHD will be proposed changes to waste water disposal. She'll be talking about some of that Saturday, 9am
- Trinity Church is doing a great job of working with kids in the immigration program. Just wanted to give them honor for what they're doing.

7:31 p.m. - Motion to adjourn