

**HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERSHIP (HNP)
MEETING MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 23, 2004**

1. The Block Captain Meeting was facilitated by Greg Ajemian at his residence on September 23, 2004. The meeting commenced at 7:10. Attendees for this meeting included the following; Jean Cheshier, Sue Kraeuter, Michelle Fodder, Sam Davis, Peg Pennington, Ronnie Pike, Adrienne Stitt, Julie Malone, Beverly Whitt, and Greg Ajemian (preparer of these meeting minutes).
2. Sue Kraeuter introduced Adrienne Stitt as her replacement as Block Captain for Mary Lou Court. The table welcomed Adrienne. Sue assured us that she intends to stay involved with us, but just wanted someone else to pick up the duties. The table also welcomed Ronnie Pike, who was making his first Block Captain meeting as representative for Laura Elizabeth.
3. Regarding crime watch, our HNP neighborhood has been very quite ---- which is good! The Block Captains had nothing else substantive to report with respect to crime activities. The National Night Out event was held on August 3rd. We had separate "block parties" that were held on Louis Court, Laura Elizabeth Court, and Adams Court. The Police Department, Fire Department, and Mayor Mel Neuman made their rounds to about thirty such gatherings scattered about the City of Mansfield. The Police stated to us that the overall intent of the National Night Out is best served by individual street gatherings, rather than neighborhood wide gatherings. So next year, we will leave it to the individual Block Captains to organize their own activities for their respective streets such that neighbors can get to know each other better.
4. Julie Malone talked about ongoings with the MISD. She has heard that the new fourth high school, that will be located adjacent to business 287 on the west side of Mansfield, is being considered to open as a 9th and 10th grade campus. This high school is scheduled to open in 2007. Also, she anticipates that our neighborhood may eventually be relocated from the intermediate school of Mary Orr to Icenhower. Early reports seem good on how things are going for Timberview High School. Mansfield High School is more crowded than was predicted.
5. Greg stated that he called Steve Freeman (Mansfield Public Works Director) for an update on the status of the Logan Drive sidewalks. Steve Freeman acknowledged the need for the project and he would get back to Greg with an update on the project's timing. It was established with Steve Freeman that the sidewalk system needs to be completed before Logan Drive punches through to Debbie Lane. Julie Malone reported that Superintendent Newsome stated that a sidewalk system along Logan Drive would be an important safety benefit for the kids. Greg conveyed this message to Steve Freeman.

6. Much discussion centered on maintenance of the two entrance ways along Country Club; Hillary and Chenille Way. Greg stated that the irrigation system at Chenille Way is in good working order. The two property owners at that intersection are using the irrigation system as needed for their respective portion of this entrance way. The irrigation system at Hillary / Country Club is not working. Greg has been in contact with David Weekley and they are going to check this out. Since both entrance ways are actually on private property, Julie Malone will not be able to use the Boy Scouts to help reduce weeds. As it stands right now, such maintenance of both entrance ways will have to fall to the respective property owners.

7. The remainder of the meeting focused on the topic of Public Improvement Districts (PID's). A PID would set up a special tax district that could serve public areas within a residential footprint. A PID could give us sufficient funds to take on entrance and screening wall maintenance, decorative lighting and signage, pursuit of park space, neighborhood website or newsletter, and ability to fund neighborhood events. The Block Captains acknowledge the need for the PID, but recognize that an added tax to the homeowners could be a tough sell. Greg stated that more discussion is needed with the Block Captains, before we hold a neighborhood meeting to present this topic for feedback. (Note: After the meeting was adjourned, Sam presented a good idea that he and Greg work together on a \$35/year tax program (for each household) that could be part of such a PID. We could show what services could be delivered for that level of tax. This could be presented at the next Block Captain Meeting for discussion.)

8. The table introduced no other business.

9. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.