

## HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERSHIP MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 30, 2003

1. The Block Captain Meeting was facilitated by Greg Ajemian at 2305 Dobree Street on 30 Jan 2003. The meeting commenced at 7:10. Attendees for this meeting included the following; Jean Cheshier, Sam Davis, Michelle Fodder, Jim Levandowski, Spencer Owens, Bunny Pike, Donna Jaeger, Peg Pennington, Allen Marshall, Beverly Whitt, and Greg Ajemian (preparer of these meeting minutes).

2. The table had no changes for the December 3, 2002 minutes.

3. Discussion addressed the status of our Block Captains for the HNP. Greg confirmed that Loretta Reves has resigned her Block Captainship for Melissa Diane due to a busy schedule. Greg mentioned that Connie Petticrew of 2114 Melissa Diane has shown interest in taking on the duties (she confirmed on February 1<sup>st</sup>). Greg also mentioned that new Block Captains might be needed on Richmond Circle, Chrisman, and Nugent.

**ACTION ITEM:** Greg ---- will work to have the Block Captains fully in place in a week. Block Captains ----- all should have their street registries fully established in a week. Most already do.

4. Regarding the HNP initiative for a stop sign at the corner of Logan and Laura Elizabeth / Laura Elizabeth Court, the HNP letter was sent by Greg to the Streets Superintendent of the City of Mansfield on January 14, 2003. Anticipate getting feedback from the City within the next two weeks. Spencer added that he has noted problems with vehicle speed in Richmond Court.

5. Greg summarized his findings as to our options regarding the need for side walks along Logan Drive. Given that this is a future moderate arterial, the street was apparently platted for no sidewalks. Also, the City will not pay for a sidewalk system, but would have to manage such a construction project since the City would be ultimately responsible for operation/maintenance.

The cost of the sidewalk would be totally borne by the affected residents. It takes 80 percent support by the affected property owners to move ahead with such a project. The remaining property owners not in favor of the project would have to pay anyway. The costs can be worked out in a long-term payment plan. Greg estimates that the costs would range from \$1,000 for property owners that have driveways exiting to Logan, while \$3,000 to \$3,500 could be the cost assigned to corner properties that have driveways exiting to other side streets. In addition, the church could have a cost of \$13,000. It would appear that the best approach would be a side walk system on the east side of Logan and forego any such system on the west side of Logan due to the lack of houses with driveway connections to Logan. The overall cost is estimated to be \$38,000 for an east

side Logan side walk system that would extend from Laura Elizabeth to Country Club. A same such sidewalk system for the west side of Logan could also cost about \$38,000.

Sam presented the idea that we could solicit the neighborhood to seek pledges for sharing this cost, since we all would benefit by having these sidewalks for Logan Drive. Such a sidewalk system would complete loop systems for our neighborhood and make things much safer with respect to vehicle traffic along Logon.

**ACTION ITEM:** Michelle will solicit property owner interest along Logan with respect to a sidewalk system that could be part of a pledge approach with the neighborhood.

6. The table consensus was to pursue one of the following five dates for our next HNP neighborhood-wide meeting; March 25<sup>th</sup>, March 27<sup>th</sup>, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, April 8<sup>th</sup>, and April 10<sup>th</sup>. The format to the meeting would be exactly the same as the last such meeting held on November 25, 2002. Our keynote speakers will be Council member Marvin Kahlden and Officer David Looney. Allen Marshall and Jadzia Ajemian will also present updates with respect to City projects, City planning, and MISD.

**ACTION ITEM:** Bunny will coordinate with Council member Kahlden to determine which of the five dates are good by him. Greg will coordinate with Officer Looney and the church to establish good dates and nail a date that best fits everyone's calendar.

Jim has volunteered again to produce copies of the flier, while Greg will update the previous flier that was used last November. The flier will also be two-sided to include agenda information and contact information.

7. Regarding significant crime/incidents/happenings since the last Block Captains meeting on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, only the Dobree incident on January 3<sup>rd</sup> was discussed in detail. Greg thanked Sam for his Block Captain work on that incident that led to vehicle information that we were able to distribute. Table discussion also addressed several juvenile type problems that have been occurring with eggs, tp-ing trees, and yard decoration vandalism. The best that we can do is to continue sharing information and observations that can lead to identifying the kids and their home residences.

No new crime concerns were brought to the table. Greg stated that we would continue monitoring the Mansfield News Mirror for any new incidents as the paper accesses the press book at the Police Department for crime reports each week.

8. The only neighborhood need that was discussed at the table was parks. Our fast growing residential area has no parks facility within walking distance for the kids. The soon-to-be-constructed Reed elementary school that will be located just a little east of Edgefield is already platted and apparently has no means to be expanded to facilitate a larger recreation footprint.

**ACTION ITEM:** Jadzia Ajemian, Greg, Allen, and Jim will check further with the Park Department and City of Mansfield to see if any remedy exists for our neighborhood to address the lack of parks facilities.

9. Allen had nothing new to report with respect to City projects/planning. He will be preparing for a report at the next neighborhood-wide meeting. The table discussed the future plans of Logan to connect with Debbie Lane. Construction just started on Debbie Lane that will carry it to 360. Collins will come south thru Debbie Lane, thru Ragland, and follow along what is now called Holland that goes to the soccer complex. Country Club will be extended to dead end into Collins, at which point, the Reed elementary school will be built by end of 2004. Greg noted that the City of Mansfield web site has very recently been updated to show a street thoroughfare map (shows future streets and connections) and planning/zoning maps. The Arlington web site doesn't show their plans for the areas next to 360. Although, we understand that a hospital is planned for the intersection of 360 and Debbie Lane. About 660 homes are planned for the area between Edgefield and the new Collins Street, and north of Ragland that are about the same as our existing homes in the HNP. A 600 plus home development targeted for areas east of Holland may be a smaller home development that may start at \$100,000. The Kings Mill residential addition that is located east of Matlock and south of Ragland is high priced ---- between about \$500,000 to \$5 million per house.

10. No new business was presented at the table. The next Block Captains meeting will be held on March 4, 2003.

11. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.