## HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERSHIP (HNP) MEETING MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 3, 2005

- 1. The Block Captain Meeting was facilitated by Greg Ajemian at his residence on February 3, 2005. The meeting commenced at 7:10. Attendees for this meeting included the following; Jean Cheshier, Sam Davis, Peg Pennington, Ronnie Pike, Adrienne Stitt, Beverly Whitt, Sherri Noble, and Greg Ajemian (preparer of these meeting minutes).
- 2. The table discussed the opening (January 27<sup>th</sup>) of Herb's Family Sports Grill on Matlock. A few of the Block Captains had already visited the restaurant and had good things to say. The owner mentioned that they would re-apply for a liquor license in about three months. (Post meeting info: a signature petition drive is just underway at the major supermarkets to gain enough signatures to place a public referendum on the City ballet for vote to allow wine/beer to be sold in Mansfield.)
- 3. Regarding MISD news, Beverly stated that Martha Reid Elementary has filled so fast that a revised attendance boundary map may be necessary soon. The upcoming opening of two new elementary schools may bring a new look to the Martha Reid attendance boundary as well.
- 4. Greg contacted Steve Freeman (Director of Public Works) and Councilmember Tracy Doyle regarding an update and status of the Logan Drive sidewalks initiative. Steve doesn't have enough of a directive from City Council to move ahead with the project. Tracy stated that the vote was 4-3 against the Logan sidewalks project as the previous Mayor was concerned that it could set precedence for other sidewalk needs elsewhere within Mansfield. Tracy will revisit this issue again to see if there's enough City Council support. Superintendent Newsom has also indicated support for this project. Sam brought up the idea that any City contract nearby could possibly be modified to add paving for the Logan Drive sidewalks project. We will keep pressing on this issue.
- 5. Greg stated that we continue to have a problem with having solid Block Captains in place for three streets; Perry Drive, Melissa Diane, and Chrisman. Tama Flake (one of our contacts on Perry) circulated hard copies to the Perry residents of an e-mail by Greg that asked for a volunteer on Perry Drive to help with Block Captain duties. No one responded. Hopefully over time, we will find folks on these three streets that want to stay informed on issues and will take on the coordination responsibility.

- 6. Regarding crime incidents within the HNP, Greg stated that things have been very quiet over the past few months. A couple of members on the table stated that a new crime has gained popularity; pressing against the top portion of a garage door and cutting a cable that becomes accessible will allow garage entry. Greg will pass this concern on to Officer Looney to see if this type of crime is a growing concern and what can prevent it.
- 7. At the previous Block Captain meeting, Greg has stated that the irrigation system at the entrance of Hillary / Country Club is not working. David Weekley checked it out and determined that the problem is not in the panel, but with the wires that may have been cut by the City with some recent work along Country Club. David Weekley's stance is that the City should step forward with the repairs. Greg intends to take up this issue with Steve Freeman soon.
- 8. Greg asked the table what preference they would have for a speaker or two that could attend a neighborhood-wide HNP meeting that could be held at the Walnut Ridge Baptist Church in April or May. Table consensus was to invite Steve Freeman (Director of Public Works) and a member of the Mansfield Economic Development Corporation to talk City projects.
- 9. The table introduced no other business.
- 10. Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.