

**GREEN BAY NEIGHBORHOOD
LEADERSHIP COUNCIL**

MINUTES
Thursday, March 7, 2013 5:30 p.m.
Wally's Spot
1979 Main Street

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEMBERS:

<u>X</u>	Molly Martzke (Astor)	<u>EXC</u>	Andrew Opicka (Lake Largo)	<u>X</u>	Jim Haskins (Olde Norwood)
<u>EXC</u>	Bobbie Lison (Astor East River)	<u>X</u>	Gary Coleman (Lombardi)	<u>EXC</u>	Rae Ellen Smith (Perkins Park Area)
<u>ABS</u>	Skip Wilson (Baird Creek)	<u>ABS</u>	James Andersen (MacArthur Heights)	<u>ABS</u>	Jen DuMez (Red Smith)
<u>ABS</u>	David Blackman (Bay Highlands)	<u>ABS</u>	Joe Vanidestine (Maple Arches)	<u>X</u>	Patrick Kloster (Schmitt Park)
<u>X</u>	Tony Peters (Colburn)	<u>ABS</u>	Jim Ridderbush (Marquette Park)	<u>EXC</u>	Miriah Kelley (Seymour Park)
<u>X</u>	Ben Heiman (Downtown)	<u>X</u>	Bob Heroux (Mather Heights)	<u>X</u>	Debbie Tilot (Starlite)
<u>X</u>	Trudy Jacobson (East Shore Drive)	<u>X</u>	Scott DeBaker (McAuliffe Park)	<u>X</u>	Steve Boehlen (Three Corners)
<u>X</u>	Caroline Stoviak (Fireman's Park)	<u>X</u>	Ann Hartman (Navarino)	<u>X</u>	Diane Matthews (Unified S. Broadway)
<u>X</u>	Joy Glass (Fisk Addition)	<u>X</u>	Dick Pigeon (Nicolet Drive)	<u>X</u>	Scott Vanidestine (Wilder Park)
<u>X</u>	Lawrence Ferry (Fort Howard)	<u>X</u>	Greg Maloney (NW Railway Garden)	<u>X</u>	Adam Moore (Woodside Heights)
<u>ABS</u>	Mike Erickson (Joannes Park)	<u>X</u>	Dan Theno (Oak Grove)	<u> </u>	
<u>X</u>	Becky Lemmens (John Muir Park)	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	

APPOINTED MEMBERS:

<u>X</u>	Mayor Jim Schmitt
<u>X</u>	Noel Halvorsen, Executive Director of NeighborWorks, Chair
<u>X</u>	Rob Strong, Director of Planning and Development, Vice Chair
<u>X</u>	Cheryl Renier-Wigg, Neighborhood Development Supervisor
<u>X</u>	Andy Rosendahl, Neighborhood Development Specialist, Treasurer
<u>X</u>	Sadie DiNatale, Neighborhood Support Specialist, Secretary
<u>X</u>	Paula Breese, Executive Director of FCR NEW
<u>X</u>	Melanie Cypinski Skalmoski, Neighborhood Watch

ROLL CALL: Alderperson David Boyce, Alderperson Jerry Wiezbiskie, Captain Bongle, Officer Matheny, CSI's, Superintendent Langenfeld, Representatives of: Volunteer Center, Time Bank, Habitat for Humanity, Literacy Green Bay, WHEDA, NeighborWorks, Downtown Green Bay, Green Bay Area School District, National Railroad Museum, Integrated Community Solutions, and The Aging and Disability Resource Center.

1. Consent Agenda

The minutes of February 7th were approved with a motion made by Steve Boehlen of Three Corners Association and seconded by Scott Vanidestine of Wilder Park Association. There was not a financial report for this month. All financial changes will be updated in the financial report for April's monthly meeting.

2. Green Bay Area Public School District

Superintendent Michelle Langenfeld spoke to the Council about the role of public education in society and our community specifically. Langenfeld spoke on the districts intention to create comprehensive, responsive, and relevant academic, co-curricular, and student support services as well as continue to produce a collaborative staff that perseveres so that all students reach their full potential. The district has set high standards and will be using an ongoing system of program evaluation and accountability that measures results and guides use of resources. Langenfeld stated that the schools have been focused on highlighting student achievements in all areas including increasing graduation and legacy rates. The district also offers customized education programs and in up-coming years will also offer a blended learning charter school, a "nature-based" 4K, expansion of K-12 fine arts, expansion of K-12 STEM (science, technology, engineering and math), expansion of international languages, and expansions in school-to-work partnerships.

During the Question and Answer portion of the presentation, Jim Haskins of Olde Norwood Association asked about homeless students and how their needs are being met. Langenfeld addressed this question in that they apply for and receive Federal Funding to help meet the needs of students in their district. Greg Maloney of Northwest Railway Garden asked the question about the districts “college bound vision” and if the district may be giving students the wrong impression in that this may not be realistic for all students. Langenfeld addressed this question by stating that more than anything they have the expectation that all students can achieve and from there they create many options for a student to succeed where they are. Although not all students desire to attend University level college, there are many other options including our community’s own technical college (NWTC). The last question asked was by Lawrence Ferry of Fort Howard Association. Lawrence inquired about a central area of support/coaching for students who are homeless, have special needs, etc. Langenfeld addressed the question that the district has partnerships with organizations such as United Way, the Boys and Girls Club, and even the City that pool resources to further help meet the social or emotional needs of students. Langenfeld further stated that she invites any other ideas to help prepare and inspire students.

3. **Mayor’s Report**

Mayor Jim Schmitt spoke of his upcoming State of the City which is on March 20th at the Meyer Theatre at 5:00pm. To follow the State of the City there will be a reception at Hagemeister Park. Mayor Schmitt further mentioned that the VA clinic will be officially done soon. Additionally Mayor Schmitt shared some more good news which included that Cheryl Renier-Wigg is back home from Mayo Clinic and that Dan Theno (President of Oak Grove) is a new member of Green Bay’s Traffic Commission!

A new agreement was signed by Mayor Schmitt to fund a new position for mistreated tenants so that they will be able to go somewhere for resources. Lastly, Mayor Schmitt stated that the check from our Governor will be coming soon for our KI Convention Center which will also serve to help related Downtown projects.

4. **City Staff Update**

Andy Rosendahl: The 2013 NUSA Conference will be held this May (Wed. 22- Sat. 25) in Minneapolis, Minnesota. If you would like to attend this year’s conference training please RSVP to Sadie DiNatale no later than Friday, March 15.

Captain Bill Bongle: GB Police new initiative, “Wheel of Warrants,” will serve to help identify people with outstanding warrants against them. Photos will be regularly posted on social media websites to help officers identify these people in our community.

Melanie Czipinski-Skalmoski and Dave Schmitts: Introduced one of Green Bay’s Community Police Officers, Bob Matheny. Also, Crime Prevention is looking for common questions from community members. These questions will be addressed, answered, and some will be published once a month. The hope is that the published information can be disseminated by Neighborhood Associations. Questions can be submitted to Crime Prevention at davesc@greenbaywi.gov or melaniecz@greenbaywi.gov. If you have questions about the program itself, please call Crime Prevention at (920) 448.3171.

5. **Open Forum**

NONE

6. **Non-Profit Seminar**

This month we were joined by some great non-profit organizations including: the Volunteer Center, Time Bank, Habitat for Humanity, Literacy Green Bay, WHEDA, NeighborWorks, Downtown Green Bay, Green Bay Area School District, National Railroad Museum, Integrated Community Solutions, and The Aging and Disability Resource Center. Each organization gave a brief explanation of their Organization and what they do for the community.

- **Volunteer Center**: The Volunteer Center of Brown County is a non-profit organization whose vision is “Building a Stronger Community through Volunteerism.” Serving over 200 community organizations and local schools in the Green Bay area, the Volunteer Center mobilizes volunteers to deliver creative solutions to address serious community needs. To achieve this

vision, the Center: Connects people of all ages with opportunities to serve, Builds the capacity for effective volunteering, Promotes volunteerism, Participates in strategic initiatives that mobilize volunteers to meet local community need. For more information: (920) 429.9445; volunteercenter@volunteergb.org.

- **Time Bank:** A Time Bank is a community of people who support each other. When you spend an hour doing something for an individual or group, you earn a “Time Dollar.” Then you can use that Time Dollar to “buy” an hour of another person’s time. For example, Darryl could earn a time dollar by mowing someone’s lawn. He could then spend that time dollar when another person in the time bank gives him a ride to work. Access the online survey at <http://www.browncountyunitedway.org/impact/time-bank-page.html> or ask for one to be mailed to you by calling (920) 448.4300.
- **Habitat for Humanity:** Provides low-income families living in substandard housing with the opportunity to own a simple yet decent and affordable home. Habitat does not give away houses. Selected families must make a \$600 down payment and monthly mortgage payments. Homes are affordable due to the volunteer labor used to build the home and the interest free mortgage provided by Habitat for Humanity. For more information: www.GreenBayHabitat.org; (920) 593.3921.
- **Literacy Green Bay:** Literacy Green Bay tutors and instructors use teaching methods that have proven to be effective in reaching adults, families, and children who want and need to improve their basic skills or learn English. One-on-one and classroom instruction are free and confidential, and a variety of supplemental learning materials are available for tutor/student use. Literacy Green Bay also provides a computer lab, workforce development, and citizenship classes. To become a tutor or for more information please call (920) 435.2474; or visit www.literacygreenbay.org.
- **WHEDA:** Offers a diverse range of business financing programs designed to stimulate Wisconsin’s economy, promote economic development in urban and rural areas, and maximizes community impact through the creation and retention of living wage jobs. WHEDA is available primarily to small businesses. These programs are intended to provide Wisconsin businesses with essential financing through public and private partnerships with Wisconsin lenders and investors. For more information: www.WHEDA.com; 1.800.334.6873.
- **NeighborWorks:** Works to strengthen neighborhoods and improve lives by rehabilitating housing, enhancing neighborhood character, and promoting and preserving homeownership. Services offered include: homebuyer training, loans for homebuyers, post-purchase counseling, foreclosure prevention, housing renovation, houses for sale, and apartments for rent. For more information: (920)448.3075; info@nwgreenbay.org; www.nwgreenbay.org.
- **Downtown Green Bay:** Visit www.downtowngreenbay.com to be in the know of what’s going on in Downtown Green Bay. Get updated on events, attractions, dining options, third places, hotel accommodations, trail listings, transportation sources, available properties, business resources, networking events, housing options, neighborhood associations and amenities, project initiatives, newsletter archives, and more.
- **Green Bay Area School District:** GB Area Public schools work towards ensuring that all students are college, career and community ready, inspired to succeed in our diverse community. For more information: www.greenbay.k12.wi.us.
- **National Railroad Museum:** As one of the oldest railroad museums in the country, the National Railroad Museum exhibits a large collection of locomotives and railcars spanning more than a century of railroading. Your admission will take you on a journey through the historical and technical development of the industry which built our nation. For more information: www.nationalrrmuseum.org; (920) 437.7623.
- **Integrated Community Solutions:** ICS fulfills its mission in Brown County, Wisconsin by serving over 3200 households with rental assistance and 5000 households each year. Among these households, approximately 65% are elderly or disabled. The assistance offered through ICS' programs serves the purpose of making life affordable when wages cannot. The gap between minimum wage households and Fair Market Rent is achieved when ICS and other local organizations provide services to neighboring families to

encourage self-sufficiency. The Family Self-Sufficiency program and the Homeownership program work in tandem to allow families to make their goals, and self-sufficiency, a reality. For more information: (920) 498.3737; www.ics-gb.org.

- **Aging and Disability Resource Center:** Serves seniors, adults with disabilities, their caregivers and families by providing advocacy, information, and access to services and opportunities that support independence and individual choice. For more information: (920)448.4300; www.adrcofbrowncounty.org.

7. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:00pm with a motion made by Steve Boehlen of Three Corners Association and seconded by Scott Vanidestine of Wilder Park Association.