

**Hawk's Landing Homeowners Association Annual Meeting  
January 15, 2008**

39 lots represented.

Introductions of Rich Williams and Jim Neustad. Jed Sanborn our area Alderman was introduced.

Jed has received a number of complaints about the snow plowing. He has talked with Al Schumacher the head of the streets division about HLHA concerns. The 2<sup>nd</sup> issue that he sees of value to our area is Emergency Response. There is a new fire station going in on South Point. They still need to add an ambulance to it. The mayor does not have it in his budget until 2009. Sanborn has met with Amesqua (chief of Fire) she doesn't think it is necessary until 2009 either. If Jed receives more concerns from the west side, he will try to push a little more on this issue.

Question from audience. Jed's response was that he would like to be involved in the complaints that people have about the plowing and salting of street. The city is apparently revisiting the issue of using salt or another alternative in place of the sand or possibly a mixture of something.

Question from audience about mailboxes and the concern about how now the city is saying these mailboxes are not installed properly and the city will not reimburse unless they are installed properly. If they are installed correctly the city will only pay \$75.00 toward the replacement. Jed did not have any information on this to elaborate more. He was not aware of these changes.

Question from audience about ambulance. There have been two instances that they know of where an ambulance had a very slow response. What is the response time? What are regional standards?

Jed responded The only way to make something happen to get a change in getting an ambulance out by us before 2009 is to have all 11 alders go to the chief and the mayor.

A homeowner would like to get information from Jed about the response time. Kingswood infant last December needed stabilization and it took the ambulance 20 minutes to get there. Jed promised that he does not believe this ambulance issue is a dead issue and he will continue to contest and push for an ambulance out here in 2008. Jed urged people to continue to talk to the mayor and contact the mayor's office about this concern.

Maybe consider mailing out a petition about ambulance coverage since this is a high level of concern. Maybe ask for a meeting with the chief of fire and ask for evidence why response times are okay.

Traffic calming on Red Tail – Jed has no preference on what is done. He indicated he will communicate concerns with city about the traffic. The city will only allow certain calming devices. Enright indicated they are looking at traffic circles. Will snow plowing be affected with these islands. There was an article in the paper about calming devices only slow down snow plows, not traffic.

Rich Williams stated that this traffic issues is an issue that will continue to be with us as the area we live in continues to grow.

A homeowner wondered what is happening with Hwy M and the traffic on South Point.

Jed responded there are a lot of things that will happen on M over the next 5 to 6 years. M and Mineral Point in particular. It is planned that M will go over Mineral Point and there will be exits. There is Federal money involved and the city of Madison has budgeted money. Now they are just trying to get enough money from the county.

Question by Homeowner (couldn't hear)

Jed's response was Valley View is included in on the first look on redoing M.

Question by Homeowner - What is being done to smooth out Loan Oak and Valley View. There is a 4" drop there?

Jed stated he needs an e-mail about the concern and he will forward to the city.

That was the last question for Jed

Rich Williams then indicated will discuss the financials which Jim Neustadt will do since Pam Grundman is out of town.

Homeowner questioned if Rentals are allowed.

Williams responded, yes they allowed as he has not been able to find anything in the covenants to the contrary.

Neustadt advised that the financial situation is good. There is going to be a \$30.00 per lot rebate which is double that of last year. There will be an increase in legal expenses as the association is having to spend money to enforce the covenants.

Homeowner questioned if we can recover the attorneys fees that we are spending?

Williams explained that the association is not entitled to attorneys fee, but if a person is named they may be recovered if we win. Therefore he has been named in the lawsuit.

Homeowners asked what is going on?

Williams gave an overall view of the details that the Homeowner was denied some exterior landscaping and then the homeowner just went ahead and did what they wanted to even though the ARC had denied it. The HLHA BOD met many times and the BOD is obligated to enforce the covenants. Sometimes people want things enforced that we are not able to enforce, but this is one of those that we need to attempt to enforce.

Neustadt also indicated that as a BOD need to support and live up to the covenants that we all agreed to.

Homeowner questioned why the difference between the budget and the actual dues for 2007

Williams advised that a \$10,000 payment from the city was included as well as the social dues. Social dues and homeowners dues have been separated now.

Homeowner questioned why the mowing is going up.

Neustadt advised that two items that used to be separated on the budget and actual are now combined.

Williams elaborated on this more – it had to do with all being landscaping and just combining them into one.

Homeowner question about signs at other entrances

Neustadt advised that the hope is to put the signs in next year

Red Tail Drive ---

Williams introduced Bill Enright who has been working on this for 2 years.

Enright –went through the history of the calming devices and the discussion that has been taking place. In the last 6 years the traffic has gotten worse. He has been working with Tom Brazelton and Chris Andringa. There are what are called two pinch points. Traffic coming from Linden Park and traffic coming from Midtown. There have been two people hit on Red Tail. He has been working on this for 2 years. The standard response from most of us is that we want a stop sign. The city has denied that more than once. Stop signs are out of the question according to the city. Enright and others offered the city to put the stop signs in themselves and pay for them. But the city still denied. Therefore, had to move forward with what the city said they would do which are the “calming devices” He has received a response from a majority on Red Tail drive. Bill has been informed by the city that they may break ground possibly in April or May. They are not as intrusive as the Linden Park entrance and they apparently are not as useless as other boulevards. They are somewhere in between. People have been contacting the city and saying we don’t want the islands. Will it affect the snow plowing? It may don’t know that.

Homeowner questioned if the city was taking into account the school that is being buildt.

Enright advised that the school will multiply traffic through the neighborhood. The traffic circles they are proposed are about \$5,000 a piece.

Williams. Advised that there were meetings with the city and the city responded that people don't stop at stop signs.

Rich Williams questions if we want to stop the process? Can we change it? Sanbron apparently can personally approve a traffic calming device.

Enright indicated he just wants something to slow traffic down. There have been updates in the newsletters about this.

Neustadt – What is Carlson (the guy on Red Tail that was a traffic engineer) recommendation? Carlson agrees something needs to be done and he doesn't like what the city is proposing.

Peter Sorce – Have there been any traffic studies done to see what would work?

Williams – the Head Engineer doesn't like stop signs.

Enright – We would have to lobby traffic department for stop signs. Regardless something has to be done.

Homeowner questions Jed said I will do what you want – then ask him for a stop sign!

**Will put something about this in the next newsletter**

Williams – We will continue to communicate what information we have it is important that the homeowners out here vote. There were only 28 voters in the last election which means our alderman probably won't listen to us.

Enright- He has asked Sanborn to look at stop signs again and he has received no response.

Homeowner – we should not give up and let the city dictate what is going to happen here when it doesn't work what they are proposing.

Williams – Will contact Sanborn to see what else we can do.

Homeowner questioned – How much trouble would we get into if we just put a stop sign in ourselves.

Enright – We would love to get stop signs, but since we cant get them – need to get something before it is just too late.

Williams – the city wants things their way. Will try to get the city to work more with us.

What is happening with neighboring developments?

Williams – there is a map on the HLHA website that shows the proposed development for the Midtown neighborhood. Our property is shown on the map that was handed out at the beginning of the meeting.

Williams address the mailbox issues – covenants say everyone has to have the same mailbox and the only way we can change that is to have a quorum at the meeting.

Bill Esbeck then talked about the fireworks display on July 4<sup>th</sup>. He has talked with Jeff Haen – he has indicated it can be done on the driving range. There has been a commitment from First Choice Dental that they will contribute \$5,000 of the total cost of \$10,000. This would be a 20 minute display. Esbeck has indicated will look for additional sponsors and individual donations. The company Thunder Cat Fireworks does carry a 1,000,000 liability insurance policy. Esbeck did a very quick survey and people were positive about the idea.

Williams adjourned the meeting.