

**West Salem
Neighborhood Association
Tuesday, May 2, 2006
Minutes**

At 7:06 Patricia welcomed the group and began introductions. We had 20 folks in attendance, including the president, and secretary.

7:06 PM

Treasury Report

Kay was not in attendance, so Patricia mentioned that we received payments on our ads and spent money on the newsletter, but no other expenses existed as far as she knew. We are still around the \$300-400 range for our account.

7:10 PM

New Business

Announcement of Special Called Meeting for Zoning Discussion

We will have a special meeting on May 9th to discuss the upcoming zoning situation for Barry Carlton. It will be held in the Sanctuary at Christ Moravian Church. We will try to send flyers to announce to neighborhood and ask the newsletter deliverers to deliver this as well.

Julia Denham and Friends, CMC Outreach Program

Christ Moravian Church used to be a neighborhood church, but it is no longer. Their members come from all over. They would like to get involved in the community and have proposed a couple of things. They have thought about a youth neighborhood cleanup and weenie roast. They would like to help out a needy family with yard work. They would also like to better understand the needs of the community. Laurel Ridge summer camp is also an option. We are going to keep in touch through Patricia to schedule an activity in the near future to involve Christ Moravian, and hopefully other churches in the neighborhood.

Lynda Venable, Housing Services and Marty Rothrock, Zoning

We had a couple of folks from the city to discuss zoning/inspection concerns in the neighborhood. They asked for addresses for weeded lots, and addresses abandoned vehicles. A vehicle is considered legally abandoned if it sits for seven days and has not been moved. We also discussed the 513 Wachovia Street house. It is being referred to as a boarding house. A boarding house is defined as an owner or manager on premises. We also discussed rooming houses (they may or may not have facilities, padlocks or deadbolts on the doors. UDO-96 is not complete. It is still in a rewrite situation. Currently four or less unrelated people can live in a single family dwelling if they live as a family. We discussed bulky items on the street, and parking lot maintenance issues with some of the apartment complexes in our neighborhood. Abatement issues would need to be addressed by the police and go through Captain Murray. The discussion was a forum with many varied discussion points. There were a number of locations to be inspected/checked out in the next few weeks.

Please Note: Upcoming Neighborhood Activities

1. West Salem Garden Club meets May 18th, 6; 30pm, Pot Luck at the home of Craig Moretz, 706 West Street. There will be a short program on Bog Gardening followed by a plant giveaway. Bring any seeds, divisions, bulbs, cuttings, etc. you would like to share. And bring a friend. ALL ARE WELCOME!
2. Green Street UMC, \$1 Dinners – 5:58 PM each Wednesday
3. Soup, Bread, and Broads – May 28, Call Patricia for details

8:09 PM

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