

Memorandum

To: Margene Swarts
Community Development Manager

CC: File
Lori Hinrichsen
Shannon Murphy
Jean Ann Pike

From: Christy Dahl (842-9945)
Secretary - East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA)

Date: February 19, 1998

Re: Minutes for February 9, 1998 East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA) board meeting

- Review of January meetings with Jeff Shmalberg proposing development at corner of Ninth St. and New Hampshire
 - Structure would house
 - Lower level businesses
 - Second level apartments
 - Upper level long term parking
 - East Lawrence residents suggestions include
 - Placing a fence between back of development and yards of Rhode Island homes
 - Assessing the condition of Tenth St. and its handling of delivery truck traffic
 - East Lawrence seems to support Schmalberg's proposed development ideas
 - Details of meetings to be included in ELIA newsletter
- Doug Compton has expressed desire to construct a 90 unit apartment complex directly next to the *Maupin Mansion* on Tennessee
 - Proposal is to be brought before the Historic Resource Commission at City Hall on February 19, 7:00 PM
- Updates of ongoing issues
 - Lori Hinrichsen will telephone Tony Backus to find out if school board members, James Hilliard in particular, have accepted the invitation to the March 9 ELIA general meeting
 - If school board does not plan on attending, Jeff Shmalberg will be invited

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From: Christy Dahl (842-9945)
Secretary - East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA)

Date: March 25, 1998

Re: Minutes for March 16, 1998 East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA) general meeting

Meeting minutes from February 9 board meeting were read and approved

Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods (LAN) Representative

- ELIA LAN Representative, Mary Gray, is on sabbatical in Mexico
- Jean Ann Pike will attend LAN meetings until a replacement is found

Lawrence Blight Ordinance

- The Lawrence City Commission will be rewriting the blight ordinance and would like to get input from the neighborhood associations
- ELIA ideas proposed
 - Avoid demolishing homes due to neglect
 - Use health and safety as objective standards
 - Codes should be enforced in regard to neighborhood, not city overall
 - Codes should help, not hurt, resident owners
- Committee formed to meet on March 25 at 1402 New York Street to document ELIA viewpoints to be forwarded to Lynn Goodell; members include
 - Tony Backus
 - Christy Dahl
 - Julian Dahl
 - Lori Hinrichsen
 - Shannon Murphy
 - Janice Smith
 - Bill Wachspress
 - KT Walsh
 - John Wysocki

March 24, 1998

Coordinator Opening

- Applications for ELIA Coordinator opening have been received; interviews to be scheduled on Monday, March 23, starting at 7:00 PM
- Volunteer hiring committee
 - Julian Dahl
 - Jean Ann Pike
 - Bill Wachspress
 - KT Walsh

Household Chemicals Collection

- The public can dispose of household chemicals on the third Saturday of each month at Douglas County Public Works, 711 East Twenty-third Street
- On the Wednesday following the third Saturday, Douglas County Public Works offers a re-use program where the public can obtain, free of charge, "like new" items such as household cleaners and paint
- Bill Wachspress will note both programs in the next ELIA newsletter

Fund Raiser

- The proposal of cleaning Allen Fieldhouse during the 1998-1999 basketball season as a fund raiser was brought to the table and a general interest was concurred
- Jean Ann Pike has been unable to reach anyone at the fieldhouse for more details
- It was suggested that Mike Richardson, a director of athletics, might have the necessary details

Review of Jeff Shmalberg's proposed development at corner of Ninth St. and New Hampshire

- The Lawrence Preservation Alliance voted that the proposed development was too large and should be scaled down and possibly moved to the west side of New Hampshire
- Jeff Shmalberg is to present a proposal at a city meeting on March 18, 4:00 at City Hall

School Board Proposal

- Lawrence School Board members were unable to attend this meeting due to its rescheduled date
- Austin Turney and James Hilliard spoke to the New York Elementary School parents on February 20 in regards to their draft to be brought before school board
 - The proposal includes the closing of both New York and East Heights Elementary Schools
 - A new elementary school would be built at Fifteenth Street and Haskell to house the children of both New York and East Heights
 - New York Elementary building would house administrative services and East Heights Elementary building would house facilities services
- East Heights neighborhood parents would like a new school but feel that New York Elementary School should be left as is
- New York neighborhood parents would like to see their school remain a single entity at its current location; they agree that East Heights Elementary requires improvements
- East Heights community has expressed interest in meeting with the New York community to discuss proposal; Ardys Ramberg and Lori Hinrichsen will work on scheduling at the East Lawrence Recreational Center an informal meeting between the two neighborhoods

Kaw Valley Independent

- Kaw Valley Independent is a new bi-weekly independent newspaper in Lawrence that was originated by KU students
- Helen Schuemaker is working with the editor and welcomes any ELIA news, articles and stories
- Christy Dahl will forward ELIA general meeting minutes to Helen Schuemaker

March 24, 1998

General announcements

- The next ELIA board meeting will be April 13, 7:00 PM, the next general meeting will be May 11, 7:00 PM. Both will be held at New York Elementary School
- Bill Wachspres must receive any information to be included in the next ELIA newsletter by April 20
- ELIA-sponsored neighborhood clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, May 30 with a potluck picnic following
 - The person selected as ELIA Coordinator will put an announcement in the Lawrence Journal World
- Per Nelson Schlater, a new sanitary sewer will be installed along Ninth Street in 1998
- Nelson Schlater has resigned from the ELIA board

Board Attendees:

Pike, Jean Ann – President
Backus, Tony – Vice President
Dahl, Christy – Secretary
Dahl, Julian
Hinrichsen, Lori
Ramberg, Ardys
Schalinsky, Barry
Smith, Janice
Wachspres, Bill
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From: Christy Dahl (842-9945)
Secretary - East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA)

Date: May 2, 1998

Re: Minutes for April 13, 1998 East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA) board meeting

Meeting minutes from March 16 general meeting were read and approved

Announcement: Carrie Lindsey has been hired as ELIA Coordinator, 843-9216

Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods (LAN) Representative

- ELIA LAN Representative, Mary Gray, has returned from sabbatical in Mexico
- Carrie Lindsey has volunteered to attend LAN meetings with the ELIA LAN Representative

Treasurer's Report

- ELIA Post Office Box was closed on March 3, 1998 due to a postal error, but is now reopened
- This closing caused Kansas Key Press to have a past due invoice, payment has now been submitted
- Shannon Murphy will verify with other vendors that there are no other past due invoices
- 1997 CDBG funds remaining
 - \$112.15 – Alley Lighting
 - \$2420.00 – Brick street restoration
 - \$4577.00 – ELIA Coordinator salary

May 3, 1998

Lawrence Blight Ordinance

- Committee met April 1 at 1402 New York Street to document ELIA viewpoints forwarded to Lynn Goodell April 8; members included
 - Christy Dahl
 - Julian Dahl
 - Shannon Murphy
 - Janice Smith
 - Bill Wachspress
 - Reuben Wade
 - KT Walsh
- Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods (LAN) letter states
 - Opposition to a change in the appeal process
 - Would like landlords to be required to apply for a business license
 - Would like to avoid demolition by neglect
 - Would like residents to be made aware of financial assistance available
 - ELIA is backing the LAN's position

City Consolidated Plan

- Removal of CDBG funding per request
- Funds would be used at the city's discretion by block
- Funding would no longer be submitted to non profit organization like Social Services League and Habitat for Humanity
- Neighborhood organizations are not entitled to these funds as the funds are currently disbursed
- City would like to cease paying neighborhood coordinator salaries from these funds
- The issue will be discussed at the CDBG hearing on Wednesday, April 15 at 7:00; if you like the current method of funding, please attend

School Board

- Due to the school board proposal to close New York and East Heights school, a joint committee of PTO members and residents, The Neighborhood Ambassadors, was formed, holding two meetings
 - 18 attended the March 25 meeting
 - 10 attended the April 8 meeting
- The Neighborhood Ambassadors' platform includes
 - Do not close either school
 - Remodel East Heights, keeping it a 2-tiered school
 - Do not move administration facilities to either of these school
 - Would like for school district administration to reduce spending before closing a school
 - Would like to see equal improvements made to all schools
 - Would like school board to meet regularly with all school staffs
- ELIA Board voted in support of this position
- A school board study session will be held at Free State High School, 7:00 PM, Monday, April 20
- A superintendent search meeting will be held at the Service Center on Clinton Parkway, 8:00 PM on Monday, April 20
 - Must RSVP by April 17
 - ELIA wishes a superintendent to
 - Attend to race and class issues
 - Have interest in keeping existing schools as well as building new

May 3, 1998

Structure at 907 Pennsylvania

- City has approved the move to Hobbes Park
- As Hobbes Park is the sight of the old John Spear farmstead, the Lawrence Preservation Alliance would like to make the 907 Pennsylvania house a landmark in its commemoration, as a structure of similar size and from the same time period
 - John Hobbes was
 - A local abolitionist
 - Lawrence's first newspaper publisher
 - Sender of the news of Quantill's raid to Topeka to ensure that the story was sent east
- To move this structure, the city requires a formal action plan by June, 1998
- Mr. Dan Rockhill from the University of Kansas will include his name to support the move
- The move of this structure to a city park would be a capital improvement project to city property
- ELIA Board voted in favor of supporting the move of this structure and in reviewing funds available to aid in the financial support of move

Attendees:

Pike, Jean Ann – President
Murphy, Shannon - Treasurer
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Secretary - East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA)

Date: June 24, 1998

Re: Minutes for June 8, 1998 East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA) board meeting

Minutes from the April 13 ELIA board meeting were read and corrected

- The structure at 907 Pennsylvania would be moved to Hobbes Park, which is the sight of the former John Steer (not Spear or Hobbes, as previously described).

Treasurer's Report

- 1997 CDBG funds remaining
 - \$871.28 - Operating Expenses
 - \$112.15 - Alley Lighting
 - \$2420.00 - Brick street restoration
 - \$3673.24 - ELIA Coordinator salary
- The amount not spent in 1997 will be placed in a contingency fund where groups in need may apply for it
- Bank accounts
 - \$718.63 - Operating account
 - \$319.43 - Second account
- Shannon Murphy will research the origins of the second account and the possibility of rolling it into the operating account.
- 1998 funding approved includes
 - \$1739.00 - Operating Expenses
 - \$4646.00 - Coordinator Salary
 - \$500.00 - Neighborhood Clean-Up

Old Business

- No updates from the Neighborhood Ambassadors
- Brick Streets
 - On June 11, Carrie Williams and Bill Wachspress will walk part of the neighborhood with George Williams, Director of Public Works, and Joe Bickford, East Lawrence resident, to assess repairs needed
 - Dip at Tenth Street and Rhode Island
 - 1100 block of Pennsylvania
 - 800 block of New York
 - If work is underway and a schedule with completion date in place at the close of the 1997 fiscal year, a request to carryover the funding can be submitted
- East Lawrence Neighborhood Clean-Up
 - Carrie Lindsey displayed a copy of the *Thank you* certificates to be given to the business that made donations to the East Lawrence Neighborhood Clean Up and Picnic.
 - Bill Wachspress forwarded some *Thank You* cards made by Lori Hinrichsen to give in addition.
 - The clean-up was overall a success
 - The Lawrence River Front Plaza southeast corner has a large amount of litter
 - Christy Dahl will inquire about support from the mall tenant Sprint
- 907 Pennsylvania Structure Move
 - Mark Kaplan has color photographic brochures, to aid in fund-raising, almost completed
 - Lawrence Preservation Alliance to be sponsoring a meeting within the next couple weeks to discuss the move and required contractors
 - Potential contractors are inquiring about funding
 - Mark Kaplan would like to schedule a clean up and prepare to move day
 - ELIA suggests Saturday, June 27, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 - Ardys Ramberg will try to schedule a get acquainted meeting with Mark Kaplan and East Lawrence residents
 - This structure is the Murphy-Bromelsick House
- Newsletter information deadline is June 20.

New Business

- Carrie Lindsey will inquire about obtaining office space from the Social Service League
 - If Service League allows, she will research the installation of an ELIA phone line in the office space and will seek board approval to use 1997 funds.
- John Narimore of Kansas Key Press will donate business cards for the ELIA Coordinator
 - Carrie Lindsey will have these printed with only her title, not name, so future coordinators may use as well
 - ELIA logo ideas are welcome
- Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center contacted Carrie Lindsey in regard to the house at 1334 New Jersey.
 - The health center is planning on purchasing the house with the real estate closing in August 1998.
 - In September 1998, the health center would like to open a halfway house.
 - Carrie Lindsey will invite the Bert Nash representatives to the July 13 ELIA general meeting.
- Neighborhood complaints have been brought to ELIA's attention regarding kids loitering and littering in alleys by Central Junior High.
 - ELIA will invite the school principal, PTO, parents and neighbors to hold a forum to discuss the issue
 - Suggestion offered was the possibility of a parent/neighbor volunteer patrol

June 26, 1998

- ELIA would like to have a social event to raise community awareness of our presence and recruit new members
 - Suggestion offered is an ELIA Happy Hour at Charlie's Eastside Bar & Grill, Ninth Street and Pennsylvania on Wednesday, September 23, 5:30-10:00.
- The August 10 ELIA board meeting will be held at Charlie's Eastside Bar & Grill
- The Kaw Connects group will be meeting at Desoto High School on June 16 and at the American Legion building in Perry on June 17 to discuss the continual expansion of Topeka, Lawrence and Kansas City
 - The group also has a web site at www.kawconnects.com

Attendees:

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Date: July 30, 1998

Re: Minutes for July 13, 1998 East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA) general meeting

Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center (BNCMHC)

Tom Petrizzo and Judy Osborn from the BNCMHC gave details on the house they have purchased at 1334 New Jersey to use as a halfway housing facility

- House was originally designed for students with four bedrooms and two shared bathrooms
- House is by the same builder as their house at 911 Ohio
- Funds have been received by CDBG (per Lynn Goodell's advise) and from the state
- BNCMHC will close on the house on August 4, will then update the interior for their needs
- Tenants not expected to move into house before October.
- Ten is the maximum that would be housed on site
- Target tenants are
 - Homeless adults with a mental illness
 - People coming out of an in-patient setting
 - Will not be a drop-in center
 - Clients will have a vested interest in their own rehabilitation
 - Minimum occupancy for a tenant is 9 months, 6-12 months is the expected average
- House rules with a curfew will be enforced by a 24-hour staff and a daytime director; Judy will supervise the staff
 - Director is to be someone with experience in this field and will be on 24-hour call, the 24-hour staff will probably be students in social welfare
 - 24-hour staff tends to have a 1-2 year turnover rate
- HUD SuperNova funds have provided \$300K for the first three years, BNCMHC hopes the house will be self-sufficient after that

July 30, 1998

- BNCMHC will have an open house for the neighborhood to see the house and learn more
- There have been very few problems with other homes run by BNCMHC
 - One problem incurred was a tenant that telephoned 911 frequently without a valid reason, the tenant's behavior was corrected
- BNCMHC would like to see community members become involved with the house; would like volunteers to make weekly presentations or teach lessons

Minutes from the May 11 ELIA general meeting were read and corrected

- The Murphy-Bromelsick house is currently located at 909 Pennsylvania, not 907 Pennsylvania
- The plans are to move this structure to Hobbs Park, the site of the old Speer house, not Stear

No Treasurer's Report was read as the treasurer was not in attendance.

Old Business

Brick Streets

- July 18, ELIA volunteers will work with Joe Bbickford to do repairs on the brick street at Tenth Street and Rhode Island.

Neighborhood Clean-Up

- Clean-up was held on Saturday, May 30, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. working on the streets and alleys of East Lawrence
- The clean-up and picnic following were a success

Murphy-Bromelsick House

- Mark Kaplan organized a clean-up and move preparation of the house on June 27
- KANU Radio and The Lawrence Journal World to pictures and reported on the day
- Artifacts found
 - Lawrence druggist bottle
 - Woman's face cream jar lid (appearing to be at least 100 yr. Old)
 - One pearl button
- Mike Wildgen, City Manager, had the city place a dumpster in front of the house and reviewed the progress made
- Mayor Kennedy supports this project
- At the end of the day, safety precautions were taken by boarding the windows closed and adjusting the supports
- A sign was placed in front of the house to make passers-by aware of the project
- Coast to Coast Hardware on Massachusetts sold needed items at a discount to support the project
 - Carrie Lindsey will add Coast to Coast Hardware to the next ELIA newsletter to thank them

ELIA Telephone

- Carrie received quotations from Southwestern Bell to install an ELIA phone line
 - \$29.49 monthly charge
 - \$57.40 installation fee
 - \$75.00 new jack fee
- Putting this telephone at the Social Service League Store is not feasible
- Pager fee is \$12.50 and can receive voicemail
- Motion was made and seconded to maintain an ELIA pager number but not telephone number
- Vote passed the motion, the pager number will be added to the next ELIA newsletter

July 30, 1998

Hazardous Waste drop-off is Saturday, July 18

No logo suggestions have been received to date

Central Junior High School (CJHS) Issues

- A knife and graffiti has been found in the junior high's vicinity
- Ted Juneau, CJHS principal will meet with PTO in August to discuss possible solutions to neighborhood complaints
 - One suggestion is a parent-patrol with cellular phones
 - Need to make the neighbors aware of actions they can take and need to make the juveniles aware of school policies
- Oread and Barker neighborhoods are having the same problems with the CJHS juveniles as East Lawrence

Happy Hour at Charlie's East Side Bar and Grill

- Carrie Lindsey inquired with Charlie regarding an ELIA recruitment gathering on Wednesday, September 23, he agreed
- Jean Ann Pike, ELIA President, would like to see each member bring two guests
- Should hand out a flier with a mission statement and list some ELIA projects
- Carrie Lindsey will put forth a call for recruit committee members

August ELIA Board meeting will be held on August 10, 7:00 p.m. at Charlie's East Side Bar and Grill

New Business

Sunday, September 13 is the Lawrence United Way Day of Caring

- Details will be given at the August ELIA Board meeting

Meet the Candidates

- Thursday, July 16, 6:00-7:30 p.m. the Oread neighborhood is sponsoring a "Meet the Candidates" potluck dinner at the South Park Gazebo
- ELIA LAN representatives to see if the LAN could sponsor something similar

Intern

- ELIA has an intern to start work on September 8
- Dave Kate, sponsored by the Lawrence Indian Center of Lawrence, will start by cleaning and organizing files
- Intern is not paid by ELIA

Brook Creek Rezoning

- On August 26, the Planning Commission will discuss rezoning areas of the Brook Creek Neighborhood from multi-family dwellings to single family dwellings
- If a rezoned area is within 200 feet of private property, the property owner will be notified

New York School Representative

- Barry Shalinsky is retiring as the ELIA New York School representative
- ELIA needs to find a replacement
- Being a parent to a New York School student is NOT a requirement
- Barry Shalinsky will write a job description
- Representative will attend monthly meetings; the 1997-98 meetings were held on a Wednesday from 1:30-2:30 p.m.

July 30, 1998

As of August 1, Carrie Lindsey will only be working 10 hours/week as ELIA Coordinator

ELIA now has a membership of forty-six

St. Luke AME Church is applying to become a registered historic site

Attendees:

Jean Ann Pike

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Christy Dahl – Secretary

Carrie Lindsey – Coordinator

Adeta Allen

Rachael Grantham, guest from Brook Creek

Lori Hinrichson

Beth Rolands

Barry Shalinsky

Bill Wachspress

KT Walsh

Georgia, surname unknown

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Date: September 2, 1998

Re: Minutes for August 24, 1998 East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA) board meeting

Grant Proposal

- Carrie Lindsey is working on a grant proposal which would give up to \$15K towards a consultant to plan a Conservation District within East Lawrence
- In order to apply for these state funds; ELIA must have a commitment from the City to match the \$15K in staff time and finances
- In asking both the City and the State for this grant, ELIA is requesting to be a test neighborhood site in formulating a process for defining and creating a conservation district
- With the \$30K, a consultant would be hired to establish a procedure for developing a conservation district
- The consultant would train the staff for future projects of this nature
- ELIA would work with the consultant and provide the past research on the neighborhood while the East Lawrence Neighborhood would provide the recommended pilot conservation district
- Shannon Murphy moved that ELIA pursue this grant application
- Tony Backus seconded this motion
- ELIA Board vote: 8 pro : 0 con
- Carrie Lindsey will request commitment from the City Commission on Tuesday, August 25 in order to submit the grant request by September 3.

Parking Lot Upgrade

- George Williams, City Engineer, met with KT Walsh in regard to upgrading the parking lot within New Hampshire and Rhode Island and Eighth and Ninth Streets
- Mr. Williams suggested a shrub edge or fence to border on the side of Rhode Island
- ELIA's viewpoints are:
 - ELIA feels the City should adhere to Downtown City Guidelines as well as the 15' set back that was required of Borders Book Store's parking lot

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- ELIA would like shade trees placed in the center area of the parking lot
- ELIA would like a sectioned and landscaped stone wall
- KT Walsh moved that these requests be forwarded to the City
- Bill Wachpress seconded the motion
- ELIA Board vote: 8 pro: 0 con

Happy Hour at Charlie's East Side Bar and Grill

- Julian Dahl moved that ELIA hire Ardys Ramberg's local band perform at our recruiting happy hour
- Bill Wachpress seconded motion
- ELIA Board vote: 8 pro: 0 con

Delaware Development

- Bo March proposed a development of his property between Twelfth and Thirteenth Streets along Delaware with distressed homes, preventing the loss of more historical structures
- This plan
 - would not fill all current zoning allowances but allow for additional green space
 - would call for a rezoning to allow for homes divided into multi-dwelling units
- Mr. March will make a presentation to ELIA at the September general meeting.

The next ELIA general meeting will be on Monday, September 14, 7:00 p.m. at New York Elementary School

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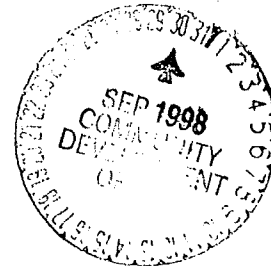
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Date: September 28, 1998

Re: Minutes for September 14, 1998 East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA) general meeting



Old Business

Meeting Minutes

- Motion by KT Walsh to approve August 10 and 24 meeting minutes
- Motion seconded by Brenda Nunez
- Vote 8 to 0 in favor

Committee Reports

- The latest CDBG contract was signed and received
- Upcoming Meetings
 - Lawrence Historic Resources meeting – September 20
 - Lawrence Board of Zoning Appeals – September 23
 - Lawrence Arts Center – September 24

Grant Proposal

- On August 25, ELIA received commitment from the City to match the \$15K in staff time and finances, which is required to apply for grant
- Carrie Lindsey wrote and mailed grant proposal for up to \$15K towards a consultant to plan a Conservation District within East Lawrence
- Barry Shalinsky will inquire about a letter of support to the Department of Commerce from Sandy Praeger

Happy Hour at Charlie's East Side Bar and Grill

- Carrie Lindsey will confirm reservations with Charlie's East Side Bar and Grill
- ELIA members should bring extra chairs

September 28, 1998

- Carrie Lindsey will telephone a news release to the Lawrence Journal World and the Kaw Valley Independent Newspapers
- Motion made by Jean Ann Pike to divide \$100 for food and printing fliers, if printing is under \$50
- Motion seconded by Bill Wachpress
- Voted 8 to 0 in favor
- Lori Hinrichsen will design flier and have copied
- KT Walsh will hand out fliers

Central Junior High School Issues

- Carrie Lindsey will speak with Ted Juneau, Principal, regarding students loitering and littering neighborhood alleys
- Carrie Lindsey proposes that kids found loitering and/or littering be asked to clean alleys and write articles for the ELIA Newsletter

New York Elementary School

- ELIA is in need of a representative to New York School
- Brenda Nunez volunteered to be our representative and attend monthly meetings with school officials
- Barry Shalinsky, outgoing representative, will advise the school of the change

Intern Program

- The ELIA Intern Program, funded by the Indian Center of Lawrence, will begin at the end of September

New Business

Rezoning

- Request has been made to rezone the west side of New Hampshire from Eighth Street to Eleventh Street from C4 General Commercial to C3 Special Business.
- If rezoned, less parking is required.
- ELIA consensus is that more information to make an informed opinion.
- KT Walsh will get more information from Marci Fransisco and the League of Women Voters

Streetlights

- Neighborhood request was made to Tony Backus to research adjusting the streetlights at Ninth Street and New York

CDBG Funding

- The City of Lawrence would like to change the manner of issuance of CDBG funds so that they are no longer applied for individual project funding
- This change would also cease CDBG funding of Neighborhood Coordinators
- Brenda Nunez suggest that the neighborhoods unite, perhaps through LAN, and present the positive history of the current manner of issuance of CDBG funding

Delaware Development

- Bo March and wife Carol presented development proposal for his property between Twelfth and Thirteenth Streets along Delaware.
- Proposal calls for relocation distressed homes to this location and thereby preventing the loss of more historical structures.
- This plan calls for the rezoning of the development to PD2 to allow multi-dwelling units, platted as one lot.

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- He would like to obtain the six houses slated to be moved from Ninth and Kentucky for the art center expansion, but does not have a plan in place for moving them to site
- Mr. March, a Lawrence resident since 1967, received his degree in architecture from the University of Lawrence and has been practicing for approximately six years
- He would like to keep the green Italianate house on the corner of Twelfth Street and Delaware as his family residence
- The white house next to it would also remain, in its current state of a triplex, and an additional six homes would be moved to site for a total of twenty-three dwelling units.
- This plan
 - would not fill all current zoning allowances but allow for additional green space
 - would call for a rezoning to allow homes divided into multi-dwelling units
 - would include a water detention area in case of area flooding which would maintain a one-hundred-year-flood every forty-eight hours
 - would move the existing curb cut, but not add others
 - would have front street-side sanitation pick-up rather than a dumpster in back, and front street-side mail delivery
 - would keep traffic towards Thirteenth Street, the busier of Twelfth and Thirteenth, by placing the parking access at south end of development
 - would request underground wiring and cabling
 - would have refurbished existing tennis court for use by both his family and tenants of development
- Mr. March is scheduled to present his plan at a public hearing October 21
- ELIA has expressed concern that with PD2 zoning new structures could be substituted for old
- ELIA Board will discuss development at next meeting before giving formal opinion to Bo March

The next ELIA board meeting will be on Monday, October 12, 7:00 p.m. at Charlie's East Side Bar and Grill

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Date: November 10, 1998

Re: Minutes for October 12, 1998 East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA) board meeting

Old Business

Happy Hour at Charlie's East Side Bar and Grill

- The Recruitment Party was a success and thirty-four members were gained that night and an additional two joined on October 12.

New Business

CDBG Funding Process

- Based on the results of the survey given on the CDBG Advisory Committee, the Grant Review Board, the Housing Advisory Council, the Practitioners Panel and the Citizen Participation Plan a whole, the City of Lawrence would like to change the manner of issuance of CDBG funds
 - The survey was given to service organizations, churches, the four advisory groups, City Commissioners and people that had asked to be on the mailing list
 - 19 of 384 surveys (4.94%) were returned, 27 people called to say that they did not feel adequately informed to fairly complete the survey, bringing the total responses to 11.97%
 - On a scale of one to ten, the average answer assessing the current system was 5.4, which the City staff interprets as "there is room for improvement."
- City staff recommended reorganizing this Citizen Participation Plan and these four groups into the Housing and Neighborhood Department (HAND) Activity and Policy Recommendation Board (APRB), which would consist of four committees: Executive, Allocations, Review and Practitioners.
 - The Allocations Committee would only include one neighborhood representative, where we currently have two
- This reorganization would change the funding process of CDBG and HOME

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- APRB would endorse recommendations for funding and then the City Commission would approve requests
- Each of the APRB quarterly meetings would include a public hearing
- The APRB would report to and receive feedback from the City Commission after each quarterly meeting
- This reorganization has been proposed to take effect for the 1999 Grant Requests, which are due December 2.
- ELIA position on reorganization:
 - We need more information before we can give a formal opinion
 - We disagree with the change taking effect before the current CDBG Board can meet and discuss the changes
 - We would like for each target neighborhood to have more than one representative, perhaps one rep and one alternate
 - We would like to see interviews granted by the Allocations Committee the applicants
- This proposal is to go before the City Commission on October 20.

ELIA CDBG 1999 Funding Issues

- In writing grant applications, ELIA should address
 - Coordinator Salary
 - Operating Expenses
 - Brick Streets Up-keep
 - Capital Improvements, i.e. the moving of the Murphy-Bromelsick house

Delaware Development

- Bo March has moved back his presentation to the city requesting an Occupancy License
- If he is unable to move homes from Ninth and Kentucky, he will agree to keeping the specified set-backs, density and the adhering to the tone of the neighborhood

Announcements

Tenants-to-Home-Owners

- The Tenants-to-Home-Owners group would like if an ELIA representative to attend their meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at the United Way building located at 25th Street and Ridge Court.
- Representative can also contact Margaret Risley at 843-5353

Newsletter information deadline is October 23.

The next ELIA general meeting is scheduled for November 9, 7:00 PM at New York Elementary School. 1999 ELIA Officers and Board are to be elected. Shannon Murphy has announced her retirement as ELIA Treasurer.

Attendees:

Jean Ann Pike - President
Tony Backus – Vice President
Shannon Murphy - Treasurer
Christy Dahl – Secretary
Carrie Lindsey – Coordinator
Julian Dahl
Mike Scott
Bill Wachspress

Memorandum

To: Margene Swarts
Community Development Manager

CC: File
Carrie Lindsey
Jean Ann Pike
Shannon Murphy
Bill Wachspres
Mike Scott
Helen Schuemaker

From: Christy Dahl (842-9945)
Secretary - East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA)

Date: December 16, 1998

Re: Minutes for November 16, 1998 East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA) general meeting

Old Business

ELIA CDBG 1999 Funding Issues

- CDBG Grant Applications are due on December 1
 - Coordinator Salary – 20 hours per week
 - Operating Expenses
 - Capital Improvements funds for moving of the Murphy-Bromelsick house to Hobbs Park

Delaware Development

- ELIA has agreed to write a letter of support for Bo March's development with the provision that if he is unable to move these homes, he will agree to keep the specified setbacks and density and to adhere to the tone of the neighborhood.

New Business

Committees are needed to work on various projects

- Conservation Neighborhood Committee
 - Volunteers will be requested at the January ELIA general meeting
- Metro Committee
 - KT Walsh
 - Julian Dahl
 - Barry Shalinsky
 - Tony Backus

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- CDBD Committee – to formulate CDBG grant applications
 - Jean Ann Pike
 - Bill Wachspress
 - Mike Scott
 - Mary Gray
 - Julian Dahl
- Brick Streets Committee – to research brick street restoration and upkeep and to assess current street conditions
 - Bill Wachspress
 - Julian Dahl
 - John Swift

New Board and Officer Election

- *Jean Ann Pike – President
- Tony Backus – Vice President
- Mike Scott – Treasurer
- *Christy Dahl – Secretary
- Julian Dahl – At Large
- Mary Gray – At Large
- Charles Moore – At Large
- Brenda Nunez – At Large
- Ardys Ramberg – At Large
- Barry Shalinsky – At Large
- Bill Wachspress – At Large
- KT Walsh – At Large

* Had written acceptance of nomination in absence

Attendees:

Tony Backus – Vice President
Mike Scott - Treasurer
Christy Dahl – Secretary
Carrie Lindsey – Coordinator
Julian Dahl
Steve Damer
David Evans
Mary Gray
Lori Hinrichsen
Leona Hunsengen
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From: Christy Dahl (842-9945)
Secretary - East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA)

Date: December 29, 1998

Re: Minutes for December 15, 1998 East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA) board meeting

Old Business

ELIA CDBG 1999 Funding Issues

- CDBG Grant Applications were submitted
- \$83.84 came out of Operating Expenses for the 30 copies required

ELIA Board

- At the November ELIA general meeting, twelve board members were elected for 1999.
- Two additional members will need to be elected at the January 11 general meeting to be in compliance with the ELIA by-laws.

Delaware Development

- Carrie Lindsey sent a letter supporting Bo March's development to the City of Lawrence.
- Mr. March is scheduled to present his development plans and rezoning request to the Planning Commission on Wednesday, December 16.

Parking Lot Upgrade

- An upgrade to the parking lot between New Hampshire and Rhode Island, and Eighth and Ninth Streets has been approved by the city.
- Smaller setbacks than ELIA requested were approved on New Hampshire and the requested stone wall was not approved.
- The lot will have less than the current number of parking spaces but will be paved.
- The City of Lawrence and downtown businesses without on-site parking will split the costs of the upgrade.

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Jeff Shmalberg Development

- As Jeff Shmalberg was unable to gain financial assistance from the City of Lawrence for third-story parking due to liability, he has altered the plans for the proposed multifunction building to two levels with parking, commercial space and apartments.

New Business

New York Elementary Chili Night

- On Thursday, January 14, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, New York Elementary School will hold their annual chili dinner.
- ELIA is responsible for providing desserts.
- Brenda Nufez has volunteered to bring meat for chili as well.

832 Connecticut

- The state of the structure at 832 Connecticut is going before the City Commission tonight.

Morton's Building Materials, Inc.

- Morton's Building Materials, Inc. at 900 E. 15 Street is under new ownership after being purchased by a Topeka, KS firm.
- The City of Lawrence is interested in purchasing this location, due in part to the site's location in a flood plain.
- The city has agreed to keep the current green space of the site and not convert it to industrial usage.
- One city proposal is to fence in two small buildings on-site for use as evidence storage.

Announcements

Anti-Impeachment Rally

- An anti-impeachment rally will be held at the Topeka Capitol Building at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 17.

New York Elementary After-School Program

- New York Elementary is looking for volunteer mentors for their after-school program, held 3:30-5:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday and 1:30-5:00 Wednesday.
- Please contact Danieka Pope if interested.

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