

Urbandale Neighborhood Planning Council # 5
Council Minutes--February 11, 2008
Meeting at
Christ United Methodist Church
65 North Bedford Rd.

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Robert Whitfield; Chair

Attendance: Robert Whitfield; chair...Carl Brockman; vice chair...Rebecca Runyon; secretary
Members present were: Dale Stratton, Elaine Norby, Rosemary Vinkemulder, Jarrite Jackson,
Sara Schmanske, Jil Sajtar, Paul Sajtar, Mason Mayo and Darlene Mayo.

Guests present were: City Manager; Wayne Wiley, Code officer Dave Farmer, Calhoun County
Chairwoman Kate Segal, Kim Andrews, Chip Bingham, John Kenefick, State Representative Mike
Nofs, Diane Buckley with NIBC, City Commissioner Chris Simmons.

Excused Absences: Marilyn Roberts.

Previous minutes: Motion to accept minutes as written by Dale Stratton. Motion was supported by
Carl Brockman. Minutes were accepted by voice vote.

Correspondence: February Neighborhood Leaders workshop Wednesday Feb 20, 2008 6-
8:30p.m. Neighborhood resource center, 34 W. Jackson.
Golden Service Complaint Form

Program: County Commission Chairwoman Kate Segal.

It has been too cold for salt, and we have also been experiencing a salt shortage in Michigan.
The 911 telephone surcharge was discussed. State law in effect, 60 cents per phone line, cell
phones included.

Meetings on the road: Third Thursday. March 2, 2008 Board Retreat to discuss budget and
department priorities.

Commissioner and City Staff Comments: Energy legislation is being worked on. Detroit Edison
wants to do nuclear power plant. Consumers power wants to do a clean coal power plant near
Bay City.

State Police post was discussed. No fee increases on hunting licenses.

Wayne Wiley has been working hard for improvements.

Chris Simmons would like to see state statutory revenue for public safety.

Issues with sidewalks on Woodlawn were addressed.

Neighborhood services website has been updated.

City is working on finding a new city attorney.

Committee Reports:

Police: None present

City Planning: None present

Code: Dave Farmer, who is a zoning inspector...commercial property is being looked at.

Beautification: 83 Bond Ave.

Old Business: None

New Business: Resolution of Jarrite Jackson to membership of NPC # 5

Program Committee: Lynn Kraft from Parks and Rec will be guest speaker at March Meeting.

Guest and Member comments: Thank you to the city staff for being present at our meeting. Also a thank you to the road crews for doing a good job. Roses to the many city departments who were involved with the repair of the sewer issue on Riverside Drive.

Meeting Adjourned 8:17 p.m.

Next meeting is April 14, 2008 @ 7:00 p.m.

Respectively submitted by Rebecca Runyon; secretary

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