

Urbandale Planning Council # 5

Council minutes--Sept. 13, 2010  
Christ United Methodist Church  
65 North Bedford Road

Call to Order: 7:03 pm.

Attendance: Robert Whitfield; chair, Carl Brockman; vice chair, Rebecca Runyon; secretary.  
Members present: Sara Schmanske, Deborah Gregory, Nate Zanotti, Rosemary Vinkemulder, Elaine Norby, David Moore, Dale Stratton, Walt McIlroy.  
Guests present: Lt. Todd Madsen; BCPD, Officer Stuart Bell; BCPD, Al Giguere; Code, Commissioner Chris Simmons.  
Meredith Powell, Jeff Paetz, Byron Neiles, Brad Shamla all from Enbridge.

Motion to accept Aug. 9, 2010 meeting minutes as written was made by Carl Brockman and supported by Walt McIlroy. Motion carried by voice vote of the membership.

Correspondence: Neighborhood Stabilization Program having an information session at the Dept of Public Works on Kendall St on Sept 22, 2010 from 6-8 pm. in the community room. Public Welcome.

Commission and city staff: Chris Simmons told us of the addition to the new city commissioner Dave Walters, who replaced Ryan Hersha. He also said the Downtown Transformation was proceeding.

Police: Officer Stuart Bell introduced himself and answered any questions or concerns of those in attendance. Welcome Officer Bell to our neighborhood as our second shift patrol officer.

Guest speaker: We were blessed with 4 visitors from Enbridge. They were: Meredith Powell, Byron Neiles, Brad Shamla and Jeff Paetz. They provided us with information on Community Resources in regards to the oil spill in Talmadge Creek which flowed into the Kalamazoo River. They informed us that the Enbridge clean-up plan was approved by the EPA. They have approx. 200 people working on Wildlife Restoration. They described the process of the care and restoration of wildlife. There have been approx. 1000 people each day divided into 1/4 mile segments to work on the clean up of the river. There have been approx. 20,500 barrels of oil recovered off of the water. They answered any questions or concerns that those present at this meeting had. We appreciate their time and concern. Thank you to the 4 of them.

Committee Reports: Update on the High School Renovation project.  
Code: code report handout.

Membership: Darlene Mayo and Mason Mayo  
Beautification: 34 South Mason

Old Business: None  
New Business: None  
Community Interest: None  
Member's Comments: None  
Guest's Comments: None  
Adjournment: 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Rebecca Runyon; secretary