

**WESTALKE/PRAIRIEVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING COUNCIL #10**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**October 24th, 2011**

The meeting was held at First Assembly of God Church, 800 S. 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Battle Creek Michigan

**Call to Order & Welcome**

Chair, Jeff Koteles called the meeting to order at 7:03pm  
Gary Dodd led the invocation.

**Attendance:**

**In attendance:** Chairman: Jeff Koteles, Secretary: Linda Patenaude, Vice Chair: David Weaver, Diana Cole, Julie Davis, Gary Dodd, Jeff Domenico, Pete Francisco, Tom Frame, Karol Henegar, Joyce Garrett, , Mike Troutman

**Commissioners:** Andy Yankama, Elizabeth Fulton, Chris Simmons, Susan Baldwin, and Bill Morris

**Guests:** Diane Krause, Marvin Krause, Barrett Newkirk, Mary Elizabeth Domenico, Sarah Boone, Carol Quinn, Jane Ralfe, Dwight Grandgenete, Sharon Newell, David Converse, Jim Baldwin, Mark Lush, Roger, Koning, Deb Owens, and Mary Lou Ramon.

City staff: Neighborhood Services: Marcie Gillette, Police Officer Gancer

**Chair Notes/Correspondence/Announcements:**

**Additions or Deletions to Agenda:** Mike Troutman made a motion to suspend the meeting agenda for the evening in order to hear from the ward candidates for city commission seconded by Dave Weaver. The motion passed.

**Minutes**

September minutes were approved by a motion from Dave Weaver seconded by Joyce Garrett.

**Police Report:**

Officer Gancer from the Post Addition filed in for Officer Winer who was on a call. He provided written reports, with mostly larcenies, breaking into houses, and minor offenses. Members voiced concern over speeding traffic. They try to have an officer on Helmer in the mornings for traffic enforcement.

**Public Service Announcements from Commissioners:**

**Committee Reports:** *Members voted to suspend these reports for this meeting.*

a. Membership :

b. Beautiful Battle Creek Award: 2041 W. Territorial was turned in by Julie Davis

c. CDAC: Linda Patenaude –

d. Neighborhood Planning-

e. Woodland Park-

The bylaws were reviewed again and discussed and voted upon by each article, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9. All five articles were unanimously approved.

The changes were :

Article 5, Section 1, Section 1a

Secretary:

Shall prepare accurate and complete minutes of the meeting : and shall submit a copy of such draft minutes to the City in time for mailing to membership prior to the next meeting; and submit approved minutes of the meeting to the City for publication.

Section 5 All elections of officers shall be by secret ballot or hand vote at regular council meetings or by acclamation.

Article 6

Section 3 A quorum shall consist of 7 (seven) members.

Article 7

Section 2 Standing committees are the By-Laws Committee and the Nominating Committee

Section 3 Special committees: the chairperson may appoint from time to time special committees as authorized by the Council for purposes compatible with the objectives of this organization and approval of the council.

This evening completed the final review of the bylaws. The membership voted and approved them as written and they shall be voted upon at the November meeting.

**City Staff Report:** Marcy handed out code reports. 'No Utilities' is now on the reports and we will be seeing an increase as the weather gets colder. Please if you know of anyone contact the city there are all types of programs available to help these people live in a safe environment.. No members had any concerns.

**Program:** Ward candidates gave brief overviews of their platforms for election; Elizabeth Fulton, Jeff Domenico, Andy Yankama, Chris Simmons, Mary Lou Ramon, and Deb Owens.

**Old Business:** *Members voted to suspend agenda reports for this meeting.*

**New Business:** *Members voted to suspend these reports for this meeting.*

**Comments for the Good of the Order:** *Members voted to suspend these reports for this meeting.*

a. Public Comments:

b. Member Comments-

**Next Meeting:** Monday, November 28th , 2011 The BC Current will be discussed by Dale Geminder and the Healthy Neighborhoods in Schools initiative will be shared.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm

*Submitted by Secretary, Linda Patenaude*

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