



# Packard Area Planning Alliance Business Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2021 | 7:00 pm  
Virtual Meeting

## Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://www.etsy.com/listing/659432479/handmade-bassinet-handmade-moses-basket?gpla=1&gao=1&>

Call to Order- The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

Introductions- introductions were done to introduce some new faces tonight.

Agenda Approval- Agenda as presented was approved.

Secretary's Report & Minutes Approval- Lyndsay briefly recapped our minutes from Feb 2021. The minutes were accepted with no changes or additions.

Treasurer's Report- We have received annual 2021 dues of \$50 from 8 neighborhoods for a new balance of \$2954.35. Dues can be dropped off or mailed to Rebecca.

## Committee Reports [2 minutes each]

- Historic Preservation [Nathan Hubartt]- no updates, next meeting is 3/16/21.
- Marketing & Communications [Sierah Barnhart]- feedback has been received on website. Changes are happening over the next 30 days.

## Old Business

- 2021 Budget- a scaled back and simplified budget was presented and a motion was made and seconded to accept. The budget was approved by the membership,
- 2021 Priorities Survey- Please submit this if you have not done so already. Budgeting within the City will likely start sooner rather than later and PAPA would like to get this information in front of the City asap so that our needs may be recognized and so that we have the opportunity to address them with a financial response.
- Improper Signage: Oversize signage is littered thru our neighborhoods. We would like a resolution to this problem. We need a resolution that allows the City to remove them or fine the property owner. Geoff Paddock advised that he has sent on the previously reported issues of improperly oversize signs we have sent to him. Geoff asked for a list of the properties that are still in violation. He will work with our City's legal dept to push this issue. Sharon offered advice that we

work with other leaders in other quadrants to align with us on this issue and impress upon all areas of the City that this is a city wide issue.

- Indiana House Bill 1164: Jim Sack advised that the bill has passed out of the House. It has been read for the 1st time in the Senate. It has been passed on to the Utilities committee. All City Council supported our efforts to organize an opposition against this bill which we thank you for. Official PAPA letters were sent out this past week. We will also reach out to the other quadrants on this issue.
- Chapter 72 Ordinance: Geoff Paddock advised that he is currently working on a list of all car dealers, repair shops, etc within the City so that a letter can be sent advising what we are trying to accomplish with this ordinance. The goal would be to establish consensus first. After that we will plan to introduce the bill in late March or early April and do not want it to be perceived as anti-business. Strategy will be very important in getting this accomplished.

#### New Business

- Councilwoman Sharon Tucker- Ms. Tucker thanked us for the invitation to this meeting. She advised that her goal in serving is to try to deliver the changes her district has asked of her, mainly redevelopment and revitalization in her community. She will support ordinances and changes that align with this goal in the southern part of the City. Ms. Tucker also confirmed that she is receiving PAPA minutes via email. She is aware of the work we are doing on our new Plan.
- Councilman Geoff Paddock- Mr. Paddock echoed many of Councilwoman Tucker's sentiments, especially in regards to recognizing that there is a big picture City view but that there needs to be a great focus and benefit to our southern neighborhoods. We have a lot of good going on in the 5th district and look forward to continued improvements.
- Dan Baisden asked that any neighborhoods interested in doing neighborhood walks this Spring to please contact him asap.
- 3901 S Wayne- Bernie Cooper of 1st Missionary Church joined us to give an update on this property. 1st Missionary Church is the current owner of the property. There have been efforts to sell the building for the last year and half. Adult and Teen Challenge is a current interested buyer. It is a faith based organization with a long and well established presence. They work with persons with addiction issues and help them overcome these issues and become successful in society. There is a meeting on Saturday 3/6 at 10 am for a tour inside the building to see the current state of the property. Teen Challenge will also be present for the tour and also a presentation afterwards. On May 10, this will come before the Plan Commission for a Use Variance.
- Tree planting via YMCA- The YMCA has extended a grant program of \$60K to provide funds for tree plantings in Fairfield Terrace Belmont neighborhood and beyond into PAPAland. Wow! Holly recapped how this opportunity came about

out of tragedy and asked if PAPA would support this. We advised her to forge ahead with making this happen. Holly will update back to us after her meetings with YMCA.

- Future meeting format- Zoom meeting in April, We will try to meet outdoors in May

#### Good of the Order

-Holly advised that Packard Park advisory committee has met and they are exploring long term financing for the Park plan.

-Tom advised they will have a “pre” Great American Cleanup on April 17th with a dumpster behind Wunderkammer.

-Jim advised that at a recent SWNSA meeting a park was presented as an idea for the north campus. The property is currently a staging area for water main replacement that is going on for the next few months.

-Steve advised the water main replacement in Southwood Park is going much smoother with local contractor Fox.

-Dan shared that there is a Fort Wayne GIS map that allows you to see future CIP projects.

Adjournment- the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 pm.

#### Members Present:

- ✘ Creighton Home
- ✘ Broad River
- ✓ Fairfield
- ✘ Fairfield Terrace/ Belmont
- ✘ Fairmont
- ✓ Foster Park
- ✘ Harrison Hill
- ✓ Hoagland Masterson
- ✓ Oakdale

✘ South Wayne

✘ Illsley

✘ Poplar

✔ Southwood Park

✔ West Rudisill

✔ Williams Woodland Park

✘ Woodhurst

✔ CoFW-FWPD

✔ First Missionary Church

✔ City Council: Geoff Paddock and Sharon Tucker