Date 3/21/26 Meeting Called to Order: 11:00
Location: MLK Community Center Present:12

King Park Neighbors Public Meeting

- Welcome: Ellen
- Speaker: Community Officer - Roxanne Partak & Cathy Williams -South Captain - helping with longer term concern/resource concerns- code enforcement concern; community safety concerns; connection with victim advocate and social work; importance of relationship building- longer term issues
  - Community Review of recent shooting in the South Side - recommendation for board to implore the community to wait for information to come out;
- Committee Updates
  - Upcoming Planned Events

    April 18 | Dumpster Day | 8:00-12:00pm | Excel Church parking lot
    - Reviewed plans around timeline bringing items early

    April 25 | Neighborhood Summit | 8:00-4:00pm | GRPS University

    May 2 | Community Cleanup | 9:00am | MLK Park
    - Reviewed plans for cleaning up park and neighborhood and spoke about 4/22 Earth Day Event with Neland; Reviewed need for trash can on corner of Hall/Giddings

    May 21 | Community Bike Ride | 6:30-8:00pm | 415 Ethel Ave SE

  - **April**- Mattress Shredders- Richmond Park 4/11, Unity in the Community 4/16 Fountain Street Church; Public Input requested for the Southside Creekways Project; Earth Day 4/22 Plogging Initiative; Plaster Creek Stewards re: rain garden clean up
  - **May** - Hosting planning for Hollyhock Parade in May would love to have more neighbors involved to ride a bike or walk, throw candy
  - Safety: Reviewed COGR plan to reviewing policing policies; reviewed care to the officers; victim advocate services provided for the family members needs to be accepted by the family; multiple services provided for neighbors involved in police shootings; Marian provided information re: what to do when you are stopped - Talked about developing a Public Safety Training for the community with multiple neighborhood associations involved;
  - Mobile GR/ Together West MI Update - looking to get a cross walk/ traffic light - Kalamazoo -put into place; also looking at changing legislation regarding use of cameras re: traffic violations;
  - Block Champions and Committee Meeting - plug for neighborhood leaders
  - Lodge Renovations- Rent Community Room $100 per hr for 2 hrs -$25 each additional ; $150 for the large room for 3 hrs ; $17.50 for picnic shelter for 1 hour
- Public Comment - 3 Minute Limit - Fuller Neighborhood Nights restarted Tuesdays- through April; Fuller CRC hosting Hidden Creek viewing 3/24 630; Neland GRCC Play and Learn; Financial Literacy Training with Mercantile Bank; On-Base in June - baseball clinic; Housing going up on Eastern Low income housing
- Next Meeting 3rd Saturday 5/16
- Meeting Adjourned: 1:00