

ODWNA Association Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, January 15, 2020

Place: Winchell Elementary Library

Board Members:

Present: Peter Kushner, President; Chris Shook, Vice President; Christopher Bovid, Secretary; Kathy Shook, Treasurer; Diana Morton-Thompson; Paul Scott; Eric Boersma
In Attendance: Approximately 32 people (includes Board members)



I. **Call to Order:** Peter Kushner, 7:02 pm

- Welcome
- Vermeulen property rezoning request update
- Consumers Energy power line replacement project update
- Safe Routes to School grant project update
- Neighborhood Plan update
- Public Comments/Inquiry:
 - Deer population issue
 - City's suggestion for creation of neighborhood coalition to address issue
 - ODWNA board beginning to form an ad hoc committee to work with other neighborhood associations and city to form a coalition

II. **Treasurer's Report**

- No report

III. **Secretary's Report**

- No report

IV. **Neighborhood Business (Old and New):**

- None

V. **Additional Public Comments:**

- None

Notes from our Guest Speaker:

- Jamie McCarthy – Project Coordinator, City of Kalamazoo Dept. of Planning & Community Development
 - Natural Features Protection (“NFP”) Zoning Overlay – Phase II
 - History/Development of NFP Overlay
 - Adoption of NFP Overlay
 - Process for NFP review as part of site plan review
 - Original NFP Map
 - NFP Comparison Map
 - Anticipated future steps with NFP Phase II development
 - Process for notices to affected property owners, opportunity to be heard
 - Goal / Anticipated completion of Phase II by end of 2020
 - City Sustainability Strategy for Kalamazoo
 - Sustainability Survey (deadline to complete is 1/31/2020)
 - Focus Groups
 - City of Kalamazoo's Environmental Concerns Committee to vet and make recommendations concerning
 - Coordination of Sustainability team and City staff with NFP Review Board

VI. **Adjournment:** 8:03 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Christopher Bovid, ODWNA Secretary