

## ODWNA Neighborhood Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Wednesday, January 18, 2017

**Place:** Winchell Elementary Library

**Board Members:**

**Present:** Peter Kushner, President; Chris Shook, Vice President; Diana Morton-Thompson, Treasurer; Barb Ross, Paul Scott, Katherine Shook

**Absent:** Sandy Bolstad, Secretary



I. **Call to Order:** Peter Kushner, 7:01 pm

II. **President's Report**

- Christmas Trees - CoK's site for disposal.
- Imagine Kalamazoo – not too late to let CoK know of your ideas.
- City Commission Work Session - January 23 - Exploring Foundation For Excellence
- Free Home Radon Test Kits available at Kalamazoo County Environmental Health.
- All the above in the E-News.
- Thanked members for making Dec 7 Imagine Workshop a success with special nod to Diana.
- Asylum Lake Preservation Assn. – 2017 dates and times noted
- Next Month's speaker – Boatyard Brewing: all about craft beer (no samples ☺)

III. **Treasurer's Report**

- Fiscal year October through September.
- \$3,006 in the treasury.
- Received special contribution earmarked for more Garage Sale yard signs.

IV. **Secretary's Report**

- Nothing to report.

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

- President Pete introduced Yvonne Wright-Aninure, newly assigned Housing Inspector for the CoK for the Winchell Neighborhood, replacing Mike Nelson.
- Yvonne spoke to the meeting about her background and areas of concentration for the CoK. She discussed the City's lead base paint program and certification programs.
- Yvonne will send a monthly report to the Association.
- Christopher Bogen introduced himself as the new President of the Woods Lake Association. He announced his role taking over for Jim Langerveld. Chris can be reached at: 734-255-0901

**Notes from our Speaker:**

**Guest Speaker: Cindy Trout, Membership Manager, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts (KIA)**

**Topic: Programs at KIA**

- Cindy presented a discussion of the wide ranging programs of the KIA using a slide show as the prompt for her notes about the many programs for various ages and interests including children's programs.
- Art Detective Program
- Annual Art Fair
- Art Lab for grades K through 8.
- High School – Juried Event
- Scholarships
- Special Needs Accommodated
- Fountains and Friendship program
- Kirk Newman Art School
- Reciprocal Exchange Program
- The KIA operates on fees, contributions and grants.

VI. **Adjournment:** 7:50 pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Chris Shook for Sandy Bolstad, ODWNA Secretary