

MINUTES OF THE MNA ANNUAL MEETING
MAY 20, 2009
LESLIE MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMONS

1. The Morningside Neighborhood Association annual meeting, in accordance with its by-laws and pursuant to written notice, was called to order by Chair Larry George at 7:00 PM. A quorum of board members was declared.
2. The police report was given by Dennis Kenna of the Salem Police Department.
3. The compliance services report was given by Officer Shane Pierson
4. Our City Councilors, Brad Nanke (Ward 3) and Laura Tesler (Ward 2) were introduced and acknowledged.
5. A special invitation was sent to Public Works Department to explain the Water/Sewer Fund and recent rate increases and changes in billing practices. Mike Gotterba, CSP, the Emergency Preparedness Communications Manager with the Public Works Department, responded with a detailed power point presentation. He was assisted by Debra Hildabrand. Mike gave a detailed and lucid explanation of what the City was doing with the water and sewer charges. He responded to questions from citizens from the audience. He noted that Salem has a top quality water supply with ample reserves for now and future uses. At the conclusion of the presentation he and the MNA board were thanked for their foresight in having Mike make this presentation.
6. Aaron Kimsey, Project Manager for the Kuebler Boulevard Widening project made a presentation on the progress of the project. He said that the project was paid for by ODOT funds and that it was to be completed by December. He acknowledged that temporary disruptions to the adjacent neighborhood were going to occur by infill traffic attempting to reach Battlecreek Road through the neighborhood. He pointed out that Stroh Road intersection was going to have a barrier preventing cross traffic and prohibiting left hand turns.
7. Randy Dixon, Parks and Recreation Manager gave a report and brochure outlining the conceptual planning steps being taken for the development of Hilfiker Park. If the project were to be commenced now, it would cost about one million dollars and take five years to complete.
8. A motion was made by the Chair and seconded to approve the proposed

by-law changes. The changes were passed with one negative vote. A copy of the complete version is available on our website at www.morningside.org

9. A new board member, James Santana, who lives on Pringle Road, was elected to replace Phil Johnson, who decided not to run for an additional term. All of the remaining 2009 board members elected to remain for an additional term.

10. 35 persons attended the annual meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM

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