

**Moores Park Neighborhood Organization
Meeting Minutes for November 12, 2008**

Introductions:

Officer reports:

Community Policing:

Any neighborhood issues? No community police officers present.

Code Compliance update and questions

Issues to report? Code Compliance Officer Greg Schrimger not present

Old Business:

The Parks Celebration:

Pancake Breakfast – Collected \$52.00 and saw neighbors that don't usually come to the neighborhood meetings. It was a fun time for those that did attend.

Update on Neighborhood Watch – Come to the school on 11/18/08 @ 6:30 to see Officer Nolan's presentation on: How to start a neighborhood watch (see Patti for more details) Send out a reminder by email on the Sunday before meeting and put flyers on doors the Saturday before the meeting.

Web site – We have a domain name: mooresparkneighborhood.org – website to come! Website should be ready to launch soon. Checking into server space & cost. Lansing Neighborhood Assn has a website we can link to. It was suggested that we put a "Suggestion Box" on the website for input from neighbors. A mailing will be sent to the neighborhood when the site launches.

What should MPNO work on this year? Some of things discussed for the near future may be a book sale, a neighbor art & music showcase and the up coming children Christmas party.

Also discussed having:

1. A Neighborhood get together in January.
2. Sponsor a family or 2 in Neighborhood with Christmas basket or try to coordinate an effort with United Way and/or Angel House to get names of people in need for the holidays. Christine will contact the United Way to see if that is still possible for this year.

Children's Christmas Party will be Sunday, Dec 14th, 1-2:30pm.

Brainstormed for issues and activities for MPNO to tackle this coming year:

Cookout and cleanup (rent a dumpster for this)

Meet and welcome new neighbors

Informal meeting night other than Wednesday.

Neighborhood Garden Project: possible vegetable garden

Neighborhood Halloween Parade

Neighborhood should have a voice in City Master Plan

plant exchange

Connect with elderly neighbors

Book exchange

Neighborhood Yard Sale

Active Role in River Cleanup

Lansing Sesquicentennial Celebration (to learn more [HYPERLINK](#)

"<http://www.lansing150.com>" www.lansing150.com)

Neighbors art and music showcase

Outdoor movie screening

Food drive or bake sale for charity

Traditions food night (share some family tradition recipes and food)

Take the GO GREEN pledge as a neighborhood

Holiday potluck

Neighborhood indoor volleyball team

Neighborhood walking group - it's easier to go out in the cold when you've got a group!

Game/ card tournament

New Business:

December meeting – Holiday party?

Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Action Plan for the City of Lansing – Is anyone interested in reviewing this for MPNO?

The city is providing citizens the opportunity to examine and comment on the City of Lansing's NSP document. NSP funds provide emergency assistance to acquire and redevelop foreclosed properties. A copy of the document and proposed use of NSP funds will be available for public review and comment on the city's website at: [HYPERLINK](#)

"<http://www.lansingmi.gov/pnd/development>"

www.lansingmi.gov/pnd/development and at the Capital Area District Library's Reference Desk. Comment period ends Nov. 22.

C. Meeting at Moores Park Elementary School on Nov 20th about CSO project. Neighbors that would be affected have been notified in the mail.

Announcements / Reminders –

Lansing Police Department has set up an Alert Network –

What: This allows the Lansing Police Dept to instantly update you about crimes, emergencies, and other important information. Alerts can be received via email or text message on your cell phone.

Where: Go to HYPERLINK "<http://www.citizenobserver.com/registration>" www.citizenobserver.com/registration and fill out the form.

For more info: go to the Citizen Observer website or call the South Precinct at 483-4035.

Calendar of Neighborhood Watch workshops (South Precinct, 6 – 8:00pm)

November 19 – Community Crime Prevention and Preparedness

December 3 – Personal Safety

December 17 – Home Security

HERO Classes: These classes are absolutely FREE and are at several locations through out Lansing! Please sign up today (call 372-5980) or pass this information along to anyone who may be interested.

Financial Maintenance Series: Letts Community Center (1220 W. Kalamazoo)

Tuesday, November 18, 6:00pm-8:30pm Credit Repair Basics

Tuesday, November 25, 6:00-8:30pm Asset Building/Investing 101

Tuesday, December 2, 6:00-8:30pm Finance for Teens (age 13-19 Parents Welcome!)

Financial Maintenance Series: Foster Community Center (200 North Foster Ave)

Thursday, November 13, 6:00-8:30pm Credit Repair 2 (Must attend 1)

Saturday, November 15, 10am-2:00pm Finance for Teens (ages 13-19 Parents Welcome!)

Thursday, November 20, 6:00-8:30pm Asset Building/Investing 101

Thursday, December 4, 6:00-8:30pm Finance for Teens (ages 13-19 Parents Welcome!)