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# MINUTES

## Citizens Long-range Improvement Committee (CLIC) Regular Meeting

September 11, 2008

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**Chair:** Tonja West-Hafner **P**      **Council Liaison:** Rich Gates **P**  
**Vice Chair:** David Williams **EA**      **Staff Liaison:** Gary Brown **P**  
**Recorder:** Sy Knapp **EA**      **Youth Liaison:** Nehwoen Luogon **P**

### MEMBERS:

Adejuwon, S.	EA	Baldy, T.	P	Dossman, B.	P	Durey, D.	P
Kalla, P.	P	Vacant		Maas, Ann	P	McNamer, M	P
Smith, S.	EA	Sutphen, C.	P	Therrien, B.	P	Townsend-Anderson, R.	A

**GUESTS:** None

1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Chair West-Hafner called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Roll Call established that a quorum existed.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion to Approve Agenda – Tom Baldy, Unanimously passed.

3. **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

Motion to Accept with Corrections of Excused Absences for Tom Baldy and Mark McNamer– Ann Maas, Unanimously passed.

4. **AGENDA ITEMS**

4.1 **Establishment of CLIC subcommittees:**

- **Water**
  - **Drinking water source**
  - **Conservation**
  - **Landscaping and Irrigation City Requirements**
  - **Centralized or Decentralized (home) Water Softening**

Water Subcommittee: Brad Therrien, Chair,  
Sy Knapp, Charles Sutphen & Nehwoen Luogon

- **Ethnic Diversity-Livability**
  - **NAP Program**
  - **Rental and Point of Sale Inspection programs**
  - **National Night Out (Tuesday, August 5)**
  - **City Events: Tater Daze, Cinco de Mayo, Celebrating the Many Faces**
  - **Marketing our City**

Ethnic Diversity-Livability: Richard Townsend-Anderson, Chair,  
Mark McNamer, Ben Dossman, Paul Kalla & David Durey

- **Efficiency in Government**
  - Are the citizens of B.P. getting their monies worth?
  - Can services be combined?
  - Should some services be reduced or eliminated?
  - Can employees be cross-trained?
  - Suggestions for cost savings
  - Organized Collection

Efficiency in Government: Tonja West-Hafner, Chair,  
Ann Maas & Charles Sutphen

- **Youth (Continue as is)**

David Williams, who was unable to be at the meeting, sent an e-mail to Gary Brown on September 10<sup>th</sup> proposing an additional subcommittee to look at the Long Range Use of Energy in Brooklyn Park.

- **Energy**
  - Energy Conservation & Standards for Brooklyn Park Buildings
  - The Incorporation of Forward Looking Energy Standards into Brooklyn Park Building Codes
  - The use of Alternate Energy Sources for Brooklyn Park City Buildings, Vehicles and Installations – Wind, Solar, Geothermal, Biofuels
  - Using Innovative Energy Policies and Infrastructure as a way to Enhance Brooklyn Park's Image and Keep Rising Energy Costs Down
  - Funding Sources for Energy Projects
  - A Survey of What Other Cities are Doing in the Area of Long Range Energy Policy and Planning
  - Nitrogen in Tires

Energy: David Williams, Chair,  
Tom Baldy

Motion to establish all 5 Subcommittees – Ben Dossman, Unanimously passed.

#### **4.2 Appointments to subcommittees**

Motion to appoint the above to each committee and to direct Gary Brown to contact Sam Adejuwon and Seahannah Smith to find out if they are interested in serving on a subcommittee and if Richard Townsend-Anderson was willing to serve as chair on Ethnic Diversity-Livability subcommittee – Tonja West-Hafner, Unanimously passed.

#### **4.3 Multi-Family Housing Study Group Update by Tonja West-Hafner/Rich Gates**

Rich Gates gave a report. Cindy Sherman, Planning Director, explained the pros and cons of Multi-Family Housing, perception vs. reality definition. Open House scheduled for October 7 and December 2 to be held at City Hall regarding Multi-Family Housing and a report to Council is anticipated in February. Open House was advertised in Sun Post and Park Pages. Urban Land Institute has done a report on Multi-Family Housing. The city moratorium on Multi-Family Housing was extended 90 days. Next meeting will review draft report. The conclusion of the last meeting was the public must be educated that the low and moderate incomes are not as low as people believe. Next meeting Tuesday.

5. **OTHER ITEMS**

**5.1 Old Business**

None

**5.2 City Council Report – Rich Gates, Council Liaison**

Preliminary Budget adopted 8.6%. HRA going up, EDA going down. Special Levies were allowed – Foreclosure, Police/Fire and PERA. Senior transportation costs are going up dramatically. There is a 3.9% levy limit. Lightning hit City Hall and caused damage to the local broadcast equipment used to broadcast city council meetings.

**5.3 Staff Report – Gary Brown, Staff Liaison**

Reviewed status of: Devil's Triangle – by-pass paved  
West River Road - paved  
P.O.S.I.- problems occurring with escrows  
Gas Tax – Federal and State - Congress has not acted and effects are coming to Brooklyn Park (TH 610)

6. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Met Council duties and how it affects Brooklyn Park – Presentation by Tony Pistilli.  
Next CLIC meeting October 9, 2008

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to Adjourn – Charles Sutphen, Unanimously passed and Adjournment called by Chair West-Hafner at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary Brown (filling in for Sy Knapp)