

# North Avondale Neighborhood Association

## General Meeting

### January 13, 2009

#### Call to Order

President Frank Newbauer called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. at The North Avondale Recreation Center. Board members Michelle Baxter, John Jones, Nikki Kittrell, Pauline Daly, Ursula Hassel, Any and Tim Yosmali, Gerry and Marvin Kraus, and Fred Fegan, and Administrator Charlene Morse were present.

#### Motions Made

##### Minutes Approval

- Motion made by John Jones to approve the December 09<sup>th</sup> General Meeting Minutes 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim Yosmali.
- Unanimously passed.

##### **Motion made by Michelle Baxter to Hold General Meetings at District 4 while North Avondale Recreation Center is Under Construction.**

- Tim Yosmali 1<sup>st</sup>; Marvin Kraus 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Unanimously approved.

**Motion made by Charlene Morse. For almost 50 years, as defined by our bylaws, North Avondale's boundaries are clear. We ask the city to have the statistical boundaries more closely match our boundaries. This can be done by dividing census tracts 66 and 68 into blocks one and two and statistically assigning block one of each tract to North Avondale and blocks two to Avondale.**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Charlene Morse.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tim Yosmali.
- Marvin and Gerry Kraus opposed.

**Motion made by Marvin Kraus. Use Census tracts and blocks to correspond to the boundaries that correspond to the bylaws for census description of North Avondale.**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Marvin Kraus.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Ursula Hassel.
- Unanimously approved.

**Motion made by Marvin Kraus. At Thursday's meeting, we should encourage the city to give money back to invest In Neighborhoods.**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Michelle Baxter.
- Unanimously approved.

#### Community Center

- Yoga, aerobic workouts, tai chi, senior line dancing, and weight room use at \$10 per quarter are all exercise options available to the community.
- There is an upcoming Senior Valentine function with line dancing.
- Free tax preparation is available at the Hirsch Recreation center. However, more complex tax preparation like itemizing is not part of the free service.
- School will be shutdown from March 1<sup>st</sup> through May 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- During this period, NANA meetings may be held at District 4 or Avon Fields Nature Center.

## **Police**

- Crime stats have a new format.
- If you have flash on your computer it will show crime stats from the past three days. Go to [crimereports.com](http://crimereports.com).
- There is a court watch for Tyronne Miller who was indicted two weeks ago. He broke into Alter Place and stole a stained glass window. He also broke into a house on Burton Ave. Investigators have checked antique markets for stolen items. It is hard to recover items.
- Recommendations of what to do if a burglar breaks into your home while you are at home.
- Everyone should have a plan in the event that a burglar breaks into their house.
- Block watch groups help.
- It is important to note that not all calls to service are negative. Some are calls about block watch

## **Update on Public Hearing on Ordinance 761**

- There is a hearing on Thurs the 15<sup>th</sup> at Waldorf School.
- Please come with questions and bring people for support.

## **Statistical boundaries for North Avondale**

- Council member Laketa Cole is no longer chair.
- Census tract 68 goes up to Vine and Mitchell.
- Might have to check blocks 65 and 70 since we don't know how to divide these up.
- Census tracts have nothing to do with boundaries but don't want to actually change the census tracts. The feds make the census tracts and blocks.
- One difficulty is that there are 52 neighborhoods but only 48 census tracts.

## **No Old Business**

### **New Business**

- No invest in Neighborhood Grant money for January and February

### **Adjournment**

- Frank Newbauer made motion to adjourn the meeting and Nikki Kittrell 2<sup>nd</sup> it.
- Meeting adjourned around 8:40 p.m.