

MAYOR'S NEIGHBORHOOD ROUNDTABLE

Via Zoom Monday, March 13, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

Meeting Notes

Welcome and Introductions; Volunteer to Take Notes

Chair Tracy Corr opened the meeting at 5:30 with introductions. Paul Johnson volunteered to take notes.

Attendance

Mayor Gaylor Baird

Neighborhood Associations:

- Tracy Corr – Chair and 40th & A
- Gloria Eddins – Clinton
- Paul Johnson – East Campus
- Karen Dienstbier – Eastridge
- Pat Stear - Hartley
- Andy Gueck – Indian Village
- Geri Cotter – Irvingdale
- Dennis Hecht – Meadowlane
- Deb Cosgrove – Near South
- Carmen Maurer – Near South
- Theresa Thompson – UPCO
- Julie Flodman – Witherbee
- Fred Freytag - Witherbee
- Randy Smith – Woods Park

Staff:

- Wynn Hjermsstad – Urban Development
- Jon Carlson – Mayor's Office

Presenters:

- Sarah Mason - KLLCB
- Mary Carol Bond – KLLCB
- Eunice Oladeji - KLLCB

Mayor Gaylor Baird Comments

- 2023 summer construction season unveiled - \$44 million to be invested into streets this year. There has been a total of \$220 million on streets in the last few years. This does include construction of new streets but the majority is for street repairs.
- 52 new bus stop locations to be added.
- Water system projects are in the works.

- Lincoln on the Move funds have played a major role in the funding for street repair/construction.
- Project tracking can be found on the City of Lincoln website. Type “projects” in search box.
- \$2.2 million from a grant for parking in the downtown area.
- 13th and E - Clinic with a Heart and housing project was funded in part by \$2 million in grant money.
- \$1.2 million for downtown arts and entertainment upgrades.
- Upcoming City of Lincoln job fairs are on March 25th and March 30th. Search for “Summer Jobs” on the City website for more information.
- Primary election is coming up, Tuesday, April 4th – remind neighbors to vote!

Keep Lincoln and Lancaster County Beautiful: Environmental Health Educators Sarah Mason, smason@lincoln.ne.gov, 402-432-6244; Mary Carol Bond, mbond@lincoln.ne.gov, 402-540-2414; and Eunice Oladeji, eoladeji@lincoln.ne.gov, 531-510-8333.

Neighborhood Association Grants:

- Working for a clean, healthy, and safe community. We can do this by litter prevention, waste reduction and recycling.
- KLLCB educates through classroom events and public events.
- Litter cleanup equipment available for the public.
- Neighborhood Association Grant
 - Prevent illegal dumping
 - Funding is for reimbursement of cleanup projects
 - Dumpsters, costs for trash, electronics, brush, etc.
 - Get quotes from vendor for realistic grant application
 - Receipts are required
 - Spending limits -- \$75 fuel max, \$750 tire disposal, \$250 event promotion
 - In-kind donations included – use of vehicles, volunteer time.
- Community Improvement Grant
 - Litter pickup projects- can be for groups or individuals
 - Cleanup of generally public land such as roads, rights-of-way, alleys, and parks
 - Based on the area covered. \$50/mile for roadways, \$10/acre or combination. Map the area covered to be sure to maximize the project.

HazToGo – Household Hazardous waste collection site. Wednesday 9-1, summer 9-6. No appointments required.

Brush Coupons – Are available by sending KLLCB email requesting coupons. Can be handed out to the community. Offsets the cost of fees at City Transfer Station where brush is hauled to.

Tips:

- Contact a “scrapper” to bring a trailer to be filled if not enough scrap is collected to pay for a dumpster.
- Work with shredding companies, Habitat & Goodwill to recycle goods.
- Use the event as a “swap meet”; one person’s trash is another person’s treasure.
- Haulers will take most of the items, so the neighborhood does not have to wait for an event.

Announcements:

- NeighborWorks – Community Forums planned for March 26th, 2:00-4:30 PM, at Eisley Public Library. Spaces for youth particularly on the North side of Lincoln – looking for more youth participation.
- Collaborative Living Facility – regulations to set up conditional parameters for planned CLF projects. Planning Commission Hearing April 25th 4th, 2023 and City Council on April 25th 24, 2023. Comments can be sent to plan@lincoln.ne.gov **Update: since the March Mayor’s Neighborhood Meeting, public hearing dates have been revised. The Planning Commission public hearing will be May 17, 2023 and the City Council’s public hearing will be June 5, 2023.**

Next Meeting / Agenda: (Monday, April 10, 2023 @ 5:30PM)

Ideas include:

- Update on Climate Plan
- Parks Projects
- Suggestion for in-person meetings – will send a poll out for input.

Adjourn:

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:32 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Paul Johnson*



Parks Summer Jobs
and Hiring Fair 2023



Collaborative Living
Facility Proposal.pdf



2023 Street and
Infrastructure Invest