



Fletcher Place Arts & Books  
642 Virginia Ave.  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46203

Fletcher Place Neighborhood Association  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
June 12, 2012  
Tuesday, 7:00 pm

**Attendees: (15)**

Glenn Blackwood	Scott Keller	Larry & Rhonda Peffer
Jason & Vanessa Flora	Doug & Judy Litsey	Byron Robinson
Terry George	Jeff Miller	Deb Tate
Keith Holdsworth	Julia Phoebus	Greg Townsend

**Guests: (2)**

Tony Brown, Scott Keller

Greg Townsend called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.  
Introductions and Welcoming of New Attendees  
No minutes from last meeting, due to primary election.

**Police Update**      *Officer Tony Brown, (317) 327-6515, [Tony.Brown@indy.gov](mailto:Tony.Brown@indy.gov).*  
Officer Brown discussed "Quality of Life Crimes" which affect our neighborhood. He specifically mentioned property thefts, and larceny at several homes between 628 and 744 Lexington Avenue.

**City Council/District 19 Update**      *Councilor Jeff Miller, [Jeff030167@indy.rr.com](mailto:Jeff030167@indy.rr.com).*  
Jeff has posted several e-polls, including proposals for ordinances on domestic partnerships and digital billboards. If you would like Jeff to add you to his e-mail distribution list, please contact him.

**Mayor's Action Center**  
City/County Bldg., Ste.2160  
**317-327-4MAC (4622)**

**Mayor's Neighborhood Liaison**      *Lisa Laflin, (317) 327-5595, [Lisa.Laflin@indy.gov](mailto:Lisa.Laflin@indy.gov)*  
*([http://www.indy.gov/eGov/City/DMD/Neighborhood\\_Services/TA/Center4/Pages/home.aspx](http://www.indy.gov/eGov/City/DMD/Neighborhood_Services/TA/Center4/Pages/home.aspx))*  
*No Update.*

**IHPC COA / Code Compliance/ Zoning**

FPNA ([www.fletcherplace.org](http://www.fletcherplace.org))



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**Fletcher Place Land Use Committee**

*No Update.*

**Membership Mailing**

*Byron Robinson*

Annual Membership Drive. Calvin Fletcher’s Coffee Company will fund incentives to increase membership, a \$5 gift certificate or coupon for free coffee.

Membership Levels

<i>Business</i>	\$40
<i>Individual</i>	
Basic	\$5
Benefactor	\$25
Advocate	\$50

**Update:**

Three additional memberships since the last meeting. None in the past two weeks .  
 21 requests for FPNA signs.

Responses received from 107 addresses:

Businesses (11 renewals, 4 new)	15	
Residences	92	
1126 Members (includes households with multiple residents)		
31 New members		
Basic Level	20	
Benefactor Level	9	
Advocate Level	2	
11 Former members- did not renew in 2011		
Basic Level	7	
Benefactor	1	
Advocate Level	3	
84 Renewals		
Basic Level	44	
Benefactor Level	40	(10 higher level than 2011)

Total receipts \$2780

Memberships yet to renew:

23	Residences
3	Businesses



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### **Cultural Trail**

Target for Southeast Corridor completion early to mid October.

<http://www.indyculturaltrail.org>

*Mark Zwoyer* MZwoyer@rwa.com

Armstrong Construction, e-mailing periodic ICT Southeast Corridor Updates. Please contact Mark if you would like for him to add you to his mailing list.

### *Update*

Angie Calvert of the Southeast Neighborhood Congress asked Bill Lovejoy to represent residents along the SE Corridor of the ICT at the quarterly meeting in October for a celebration of the Trail's completion.

**No updates for Finance Social, HR/DC Land Use or Newspaper committees.**

### **Old Business**

Fletcher Place Neighborhood signage.

### *Update*

Greg brought the new FPNA signs.

Members may purchase signs for \$5 (at cost).

The status of Merrill Street, one-way East vs. West or two-way has been taken to the Department of Public Work for consideration.

Will require a (legitimate) 75% majority support by Merrill Street resident addresses (36) in order to designate the thoroughfare as a two-way street. FPNA respects and supports the choice made by Merrill Street residents.

### *Update*

Gregg spoke to the Merrill Street Condo Association.

To date, Merrill Street surveys have not reached a simple majority.

Greg proposed a new poll with only two choices: 1-way west or 1-way east.

Councilman Brown, chair of the DPW committee, will hold a public hearing June 21<sup>st</sup>.

zFPNA continues to support the decision made by a true majority of Merrill Street residents.



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## **New Business**

Julia Phoebus is the new director of Fletcher Place Arts & Books. She is planning art showings, teaching sessions and book clubs. <http://fletcherplaceartsandbooks.com>

Fletcher Place Arts & Books will showcase a new local artist each month on First Friday.

If you have event suggestions, would like to volunteer or join a book club, please e-mail Julia at [fpartsandbooks@gmail.com](mailto:fpartsandbooks@gmail.com).

Judy Litsey has volunteered again to organize the FPNA picnic, traditionally the weekend after Labor Day. We proposed the Sunday after Labor Day, September 16<sup>th</sup>, in Lacy Park

Keith Holdsworth spoke about the Asian, Emerald Ash Borer (EAB).

The Purdue University Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Outreach and Education Team has developed a new program for Purdue Master Gardeners called Neighbors Against Bad Bugs (N.A.B.B.). The N.A.B.B. program encourages communities and individuals to make educated choices about their ash trees before EAB arrives, The EAB is working with the City of Indianapolis and Keep Indianapolis Beautiful, Inc. (KIBI) to tag the city's ash trees while distributing information about managing EAB to local Neighborhood Associations. There is great interest in Indianapolis in this project as the northeast areas are beginning to see extensive damage from EAB infestations.

Please reference the NABB and KIB sites for additional information.

<http://extension.entm.purdue.edu/eab/index.php?page=management/nabb>

[http://www.kibi.org/ash\\_tree\\_inventory](http://www.kibi.org/ash_tree_inventory)

**Meeting Adjourned.**