

	A neighborhood meeting of the Kalamazoo City Commission was held on Monday, June 20, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room at City Hall, 241 W. South Street.
Roll Call	COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Mayor Bobby J. Hopewell Vice Mayor Don Cooney David Anderson Erin Knott Shannon Sykes COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Matt Milcarek Jack Urban Also present were City Manager Jim Ritsema, City Attorney Clyde Robinson, and City Clerk Scott Borling.
Commissioners Excused	Commissioner Sykes, seconded by Vice Mayor Cooney, moved to excuse the absences of Commissioners Milcarek and Urban. With a voice vote the motion passed.
Communications	An opportunity was given for miscellaneous communications, but no communications were offered.
Neighborhood Communications	Neighborhood communications were received next. Representatives from the following neighborhood associations were present and addressed the City Commission: <u>Stuart Area Restoration Association</u> Max Tibbitts, Chair Dana Underwood, Treasurer
Stuart Area Restoration Association	The Stuart Area Restoration Association representatives: - reported changes made to the bylaws at the Association's annual meeting. - described how administrative responsibilities had been distributed among board members in the absence of an Executive Director. - stated a vacant lot in the Old Orchard/Allen Boulevard area had been donated to the Association and indicated the Association was considering conveyed the lot to a party who was in the process of purchasing the home next door. - thanked Commissioner Anderson for his assistance in getting "Children at Play" signs installed in the neighborhood. - discussed the Association's efforts to clean up the titles of properties they owned in the Stuart Avenue/North Street area. - thanked the City for rehabbing the fire house at the corner of North Street and Douglas Avenue.

- expressed excitement that the Jay Rhoades Building would demolished soon.
- announced the Association would be holding a members-only meeting on June 28th to decide on whether the Association would continue to accept grant funding from the City.
- reported on the volunteer hours donated to the Association.

Stuart Area
Restoration
Association (cont'd)

In response to a question from Commissioner Anderson, Mr. Tibbitts stated the Jay Rhoades Building was currently owned by the Kalamazoo County Land Bank Authority through the tax foreclosure process.

When an opportunity was given for general citizen comments, the following people addressed the City Commission:

Citizen Comments

Nina Boismier, City resident, asked when the pile of rubble at the corner of Portage and Bryant would be removed and when code enforcement action would be initiated.

An opportunity was given for miscellaneous comments by City Commissioners, but no comments were offered.

Commissioner
Comments

The meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Scott A. Borling
City Clerk

For City Commission approval on July 5, 2016

Approved by: _____
Bobby J. Hopewell, Mayor
Dated: July 5, 2016